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INTRODUCTION

The Hybrid engine allows the user to set up multi-scale or multi-layered simulations by combining the results of a set of other AMS engines for different regions of the molecular system. The interface is like that of any other AMS engine, with a range of settings as input, and a potential energy and gradients as the main output. As such the Hybrid engine can be used in any AMS application such as geometry optimization, molecular dynamics, etc.

The Hybrid engine can be used for a wide range of multi-scale simulations, involving many different layers of the molecular system and many different levels of accuracy. The most commonly used multi-scale setup is a combined quantum mechanical / molecular mechanical (QM/MM) scheme. Such a QM/MM scheme divides the system into two different regions; (i) a QM region that is described by a QM engine such as ADF or DFTB, and (ii) an MM region that is described by an MM engine such as the ForceField engine. Within the QM/MM definition the user can choose between mechanical embedding and electrostatic embedding, and the choice determines which sub-options and which sub-engines are available.

In the following, first the broad use of the Hybrid engine for a flexible linear combination of engine results is outlined. Second, the QM/MM feature with its two available options (mechanical embedding and electrostatic embedding) is described in detail.

See also:

Tutorial: [Inorganic linker in organic framework](#)

1.1 Linear Combination of Energy Terms

Longtime users of the SCM software may know this functionality as QUILD. It can be used to set up a multi-layer computation according to the ONIOM scheme developed by Morokuma, but it has applicability beyond only layered setups. In general, this flexible and straight-forward feature provides a linear combination of results from different engines computed for different regions of the molecular system.

$$E = \sum_i^N w_i E^{\text{engine}(i)}(\text{region}(i))$$

The engines may be all the same, and the regions can overlap or even be identical. Each individual energy is scaled by a weight. Most commonly, the weights will sum to one (the energy is a weighted average of its components), but this is not a requirement of the engine.

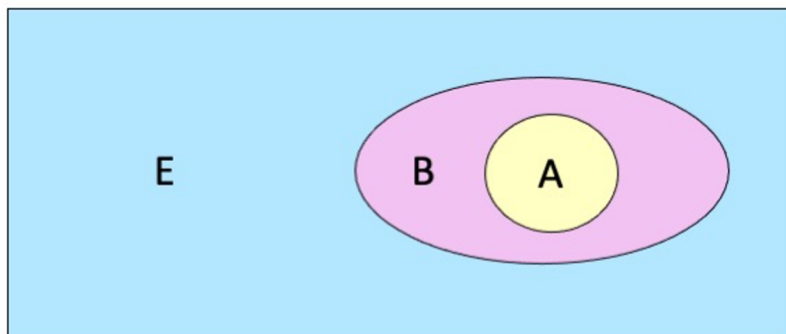
There are three main reasons to use such a linear combination of energy terms: to speed up a calculation, make it more accurate, or do some state averaging.

- 1) When the molecular system is large, efficiency may be improved by a layered setup, describing only a small region of interest with an accurate engine, while interaction with the environment is described with a more efficient engine.
- 2) DFT results can sometimes be improved by applying different functionals to different (or the same) regions.

- 3) Experimental results may be more accurately represented by a weighted average over several spin or excited states.

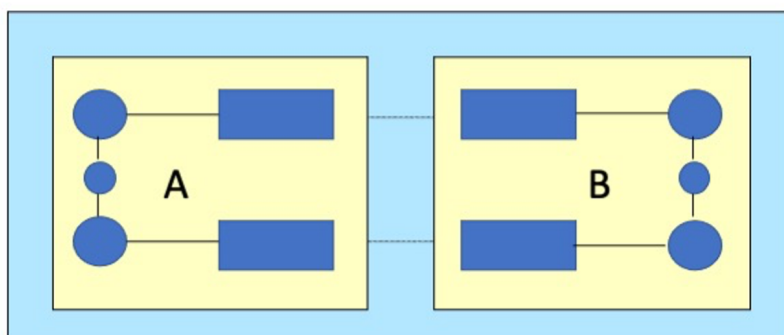
In a three-layered setup (Figure: active region of interest A in yellow, immediate surroundings B in pink, and long-range environment E in blue), the ONIOM energy expression contains five different terms, and uses three different engines (engines 1, 2, 3, in decreasing order of accuracy).

$$E = E^{\text{engine}(3)}(\text{A+B+C}) - E^{\text{engine}(3)}(\text{A+B}) + E^{\text{engine}(2)}(\text{A+B}) - E^{\text{engine}(2)}(\text{A}) + E^{\text{engine}(1)}(\text{A})$$



For systems like DNA, a GGA functional may best describe the intramolecular interactions (Figure: regions A and B), while the hydrogen bonds between regions are better described with an LDA functional. The corresponding energy expression contains five terms, and uses two different engine-setups (engines 1 and 2 for GGA and LDA respectively).

$$E = E^{\text{engine}(1)}(\text{A}) + E^{\text{engine}(1)}(\text{B}) + E^{\text{engine}(2)}(\text{A+B}) - E^{\text{engine}(2)}(\text{A}) - E^{\text{engine}(2)}(\text{B})$$



The Linear Combination of Energy Terms feature is enabled with the `Energy` block in the Hybrid engine input. Because of its simplicity the feature works with any combination of sub-engines.

Example

In this two-layer example, a water molecule at the DFTB level is embedded in an environment of a single water molecule at the UFF level. The energy is a linear combination of three different energy terms, with respective weights $w = (1, 1, -1)$.

$$E = E^{\text{uff}}(\text{QM+MM}) + E^{\text{dftb}}(\text{QM}) - E^{\text{uff}}(\text{QM})$$

```
Task GeometryOptimization

System
  Atoms
    O -1.8782  0.0294 -0.7574  region=QM
```

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```

      H -0.9986  0.2961 -0.3861  region=QM
      H -1.8623 -0.9560 -0.6510  region=QM
      O  0.0121 -1.3731  0.5074  region=MM
      H  0.8930 -1.7879  0.3172  region=MM
      H -0.5625 -2.1395  0.7656  region=MM
    End
  End
Engine Hybrid

  Energy
    Term region=QM EngineId=DFTB      factor=1.0
    Term region=*  EngineId=ForceField factor=1.0
    Term region=QM EngineId=ForceField factor=-1.0
  End

  Engine DFTB
    Model GFN1-xTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
    Type UFF
  EndEngine
EndEngine

```

Observe the following

- Regions are defined as usual via the `System` block
- The energy expression is defined in the `Energy` block, with multiple occurrences of the `Term` subkey
- The `Hybrid` engine block contains subblocks of other engines that are to be used
- The (sub) engines are referred to by an *EngineId* (page 11), usually the name of the engine, in this case DFTB and UFF.

1.2 QM/MM

The Linear Combination of Energy Terms feature is very flexible, and can combine a multitude of layers and levels of accuracy. However, the most common multi-scale scheme is a two-layer scheme, with the active region of interest described at high accuracy, and the environment, which presumably has less impact on the desired outcome, described at lower accuracy. While the definition of high and low accuracy can vary (QM/QM', MM/MM', and even MM/QM combinations are possible), most often the high accuracy description is at electronic resolution (QM), while at low-accuracy the smallest particles described are atoms (MM).



1.2.1 Mechanical embedding

The mechanical embedding option is a short-cut to a subset of the possibilities provided by the flexible Linear Combination of Energy Terms described above. In this two-layer setup, the active region A is described with accurate engine (1), while the environment E (as well as the interactions between the two regions) is described with a more efficient engine (2). A subtractive scheme is used to compute the multi-scale energy and gradients. The energy expression involves a linear combination of only three energy terms.

$$E = E^{\text{engine}(2)}(\text{A+E}) + E^{\text{engine}(1)}(\text{A}) - E^{\text{engine}(2)}(\text{A})$$

As a result of this subtractive setup, any parameters required by engine(2) need to be provided for the full system. However, if engine(2) is the force field engine (which in QM/MM it will often be), then the corresponding energy terms are comprised of atom-pair interaction energies only. As a result, all contributions in energy-term 2 will cancel against the identical contributions in energy-term 1, which means that arbitrary parameters can be selected for region A energy contributions. The only remaining parameters of interest for engine(2) are those that describe the interaction inside region E and between regions A and E.

Example

As in the previous example, a water molecule at the DFTB level is embedded in an environment of a single water molecule at the UFF level. The computation is completely equivalent to the example for the Linear Combination of Energy Terms feature, with the simplified input as the only difference.

```
Task GeometryOptimization

System
  Atoms
    O -1.8782  0.0294 -0.7574  region=QM
    H -0.9986  0.2961 -0.3861  region=QM
    H -1.8623 -0.9560 -0.6510  region=QM
    O  0.0121 -1.3731  0.5074  region=MM
    H  0.8930 -1.7879  0.3172  region=MM
    H -0.5625 -2.1395  0.7656  region=MM
  End
End

Engine Hybrid
  QMMM
    Embedding Mechanical
    mmEngineID ForceField
    qmEngineID DFTB
    qmRegion QM
  End

  Engine DFTB
    Model GFN1-xTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
    Type UFF
  EndEngine
EndEngine
```

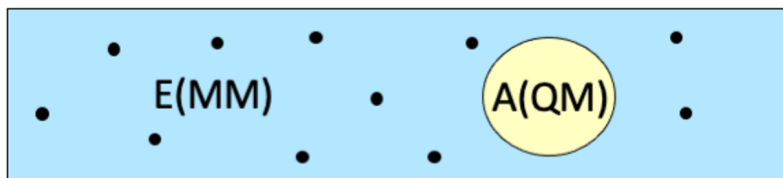
The (electrostatic) interactions between regions are described only at the lowest level of accuracy, so that the electron density in region A is not polarized by the charges in region B.

Supported engines

Like the Linear Combination of Energy Terms feature, the mechanical embedding option goes beyond QM/MM in that any combination of engines is implemented (QM/QM', MM/MM', MM/QM).

1.2.2 Electrostatic embedding

Electrostatic embedding is the more common application of two-layer QM/MM, where active region A is assumed to have an electron density, and this density is polarized by the point charges in environment region E.



A purely subtractive energy expression is no longer possible, as the interaction energy is not determined by a single description (QM or MM), but by a combination of both.

$$E = E^{\text{QM}}(A) + E^{\text{int}}(A|E) + E^{\text{MM}}(E)$$

In practice, atomic point charges from the lower-level engine (usually an MM force field), are passed to the higher level QM engine, which computes the interaction of the electron density in region A with the point charges from region E.

$$E^{\text{int/elstat}}(A|E) = \int \rho^A(\mathbf{r}) V^E(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r} = \int \rho^A(\mathbf{r}) \sum_i^{N_E} \frac{q_i^E}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}_i^E|} d\mathbf{r}$$

Here V^E is the potential from the E-region point charges, ρ_A is the charge density of the A-region sub-system, which is affected by the positions of the E-region point charges, N_E is the number of E-region atoms, q_i^E is the point charge of E-region atom i , and \mathbf{r}_i^E is the position of E-region atom i .

The remaining non electrostatic interactions are calculated at the MM level by a subtractive scheme.

$$E^{\text{int/nonelstat}}(A|E) = E_{\text{nonelstat}}^{\text{MM}}(A+E) - E_{\text{nonelstat}}^{\text{MM}}(A) - E_{\text{nonelstat}}^{\text{MM}}(E)$$

The nonelectrostatic energy $E_{\text{nonelstat}}^{\text{MM}}$ is obtained by simply setting the MM point charges to zero.

The final QM/MM energy consists of five terms, computed with two different engines.

- 1) The MM energy of region E.
- 2) The QM energy of region A, including interaction with point charges region E.
- 3) The MM energy of full system without electrostatics.
- 4) The MM energy of region E without electrostatics.
- 5) The MM energy of region A without electrostatics.

$$E = E^{\text{MM}}(E) + E^{\text{QM}}(A(V^E)) + E_{\text{nonelstat}}^{\text{MM}}(A+E) - E_{\text{nonelstat}}^{\text{MM}}(A) - E_{\text{nonelstat}}^{\text{MM}}(E)$$

Currently, only non-polarizable forcefields are supported, so that the MM charges q_i^E are not affected by the QM potential.

Example

Again, a water molecule at the DFTB level is embedded in an environment of a single water molecule at the UFF level, this time using electrostatic embedding.

```
Task GeometryOptimization

System
  Atoms
    O -1.8782  0.0294 -0.7574  region=QM
    H -0.9986  0.2961 -0.3861  region=QM
    H -1.8623 -0.9560 -0.6510  region=QM
    O  0.0121 -1.3731  0.5074  region=MM
    H  0.8930 -1.7879  0.3172  region=MM
    H -0.5625 -2.1395  0.7656  region=MM
  End
End

Engine Hybrid
  QMMM
    Embedding Electrostatic
    mmEngineID ForceField
    qmEngineID DFTB
    qmRegion QM
  End

  Engine DFTB
    Model GFN1-xTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
    Type UFF
  EndEngine
EndEngine
eor
```

Supported engines

In the electrostatic embedding QM/MM setup of the Hybrid engine, the sub-engines involved can have one of two “roles”: the QM role and the MM role.

Engines supporting the QM role:

- adf
- band
- dftb

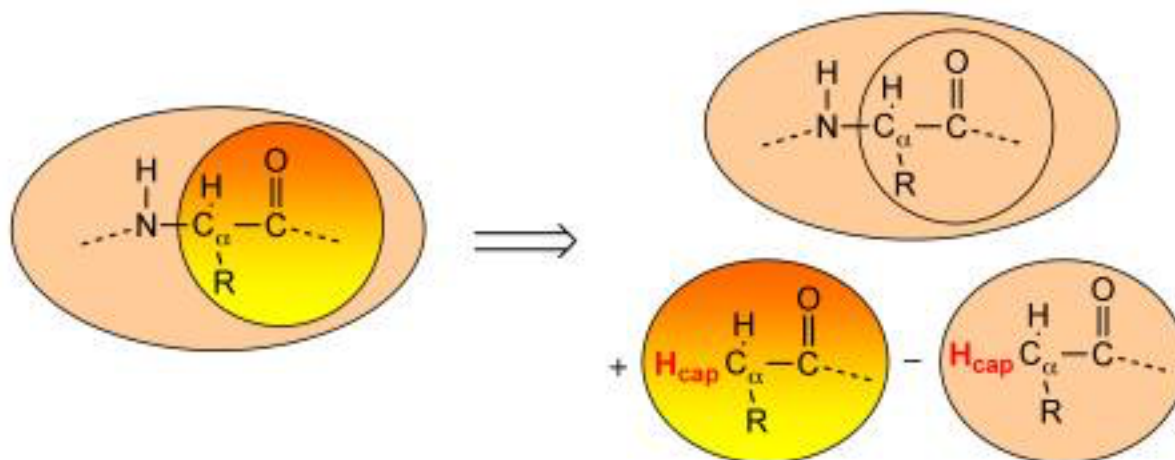
Engines supporting the MM role:

- forcefield

1.3 Capping Atoms

Whenever the boundary between two regions crosses a covalent bond (or better put, whenever the Hybrid engine notices that a sub-engine is assigned a system with dangling bonds), capping atoms - or link atoms - are assigned to

satisfy the valence of the boundary atoms (see Figure below). By default, the engine adds hydrogen as capping atom, though a different (single) element can be selected by the user.



The capping atoms are added according to the AddRemove methodology [1 (page 97)], in which the capping atoms follow the position of the real atoms in the total system. By default, the capping atoms are positioned along the vector of the dangling covalent bond, and at a distance that corresponds to the sum of the covalent radii of the capping atom and the boundary atom to which it has been attached. An alternative option can be selected that places the capping atom again along the vector of the dangling bond, but at a distance to the connected boundary atom that is a fraction of the bond between the two boundary atoms in the full system.

Capping can be disabled (via the *Energy* (page 12) or *QMMM* (page 13) block) and options can be set in the *Capping* (page 14) block. An element as well as force field atom-type and charge can be assigned to the capping atom. When more than one capping atom is present in the system, they will all have the same element, type, and charge.

1.3.1 Position of the Boundary

By default two sanity checks are performed on user-defined boundaries, and the following choices are not accepted by the engine.

- A boundary across bonds with a bond order larger than 1.25. The user can prevent this by using the `AllowHighBondOrders` subkey, see the *Capping* (page 14) documentation.
- A (QM) sub-region with more than one capping atom representing the same MM-boundary atom. The hybrid engine will not accept this, unless the user overrides it, see the `CheckCapping` subkey of *Capping* (page 14).

The GUI (`amsinput`) has an option (Make selection cappable, from the Select menu) to automatically extend a selection, so that the two checks will pass.

1.3.2 QM/MM Partitioning Examples

In a QM/MM simulation the basic question is how to partition the system into the QM and MM regions A and E. When studying an active site of a catalyst, for example, one must decide where to put the QM/MM boundary. Putting the boundary too close to the reaction center will jeopardize the chemical realism of the model. On the other hand, if one places the boundary too far away, the computational expense of the QM calculation may become problematic. Each system is different in this respect and the user must perform the proper tests to validate the appropriateness of the QM/MM partitioning used. We strongly suggest that the reader examines the literature on QM/MM methods and understands the basic limitations of the approach.

Below we give examples of the QM/MM partitioning choices that are by default prohibited by the engine. For comparison, we also give some representative examples of QM/MM partitioning that the engine does allow. In the examples, the region enclosed in the dotted polygon represents the A-region and the atoms labeled with 'LI' are the MM boundary atoms to be replaced by a capping - or link - atom.

In the examples in Figure 1, the boundary crosses double, triple, or aromatic bonds, so that a simple capping atom cannot satisfy the valence of the QM fragment and the electronic structure of the QM sub-system becomes drastically different from that of the full system.

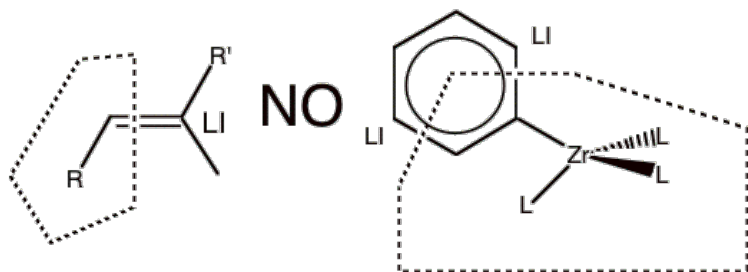
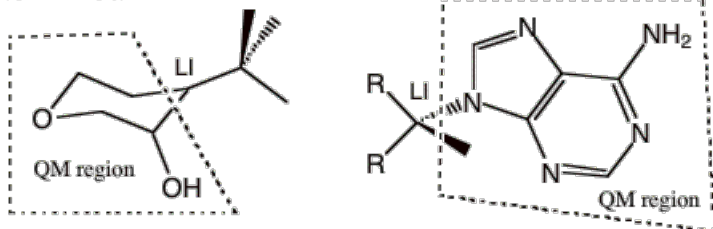


Figure 1 Examples of partitioning that should not be used because the link bonds are double or aromatic bonds.

Next, figure 2a depicts examples of partitioning that are not allowed because the MM boundary atom has a covalent bond to more than one QM atom. An MM boundary atom can only be bonded to one QM atom. Figure 2b shows the opposite, which is allowed. In other words, one QM atom can be bonded to more than one MM boundary atom. Note that there is no limit to the number of capping atoms that can be placed, just that each MM boundary atom can only be bonded to one QM atom.

a NOT ALLOWED



b ALLOWED

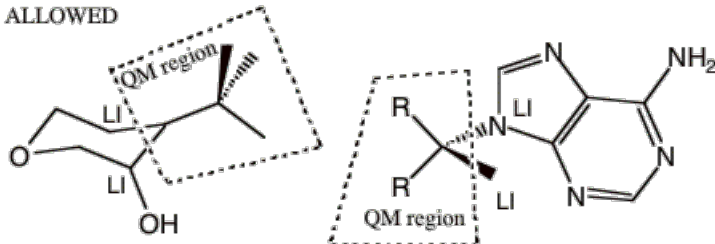


Figure 2 a) Examples of partitioning that are not allowed because the MM boundary atom has a covalent bond to more than one QM atom. b) The allowed reverse of the examples shown in (a). An MM boundary atom can **only** bond to one QM atom.

Then, figure 3 provides some representative examples of partitioning that the program does allow. Example **a** shows a typical solute-solvent QM/MM partitioning where there are no link bonds at all. Example **b** depicts two separate molecules each possessing a QM and a MM region. We emphasize that any number of molecules and link bonds can be used. Example **c** seems very similar to the earlier example in Figure 1. The difference is that the ring in Figure 3cd is not aromatic and consequently the link bonds in example **d** cross *single* bonds. Example **d** shows a single molecule, with two QM regions separated by an MM region. For this example, two equivalent pedagogic representations of the sample partitioning are displayed. Example **e** is a representative organometallic complex.

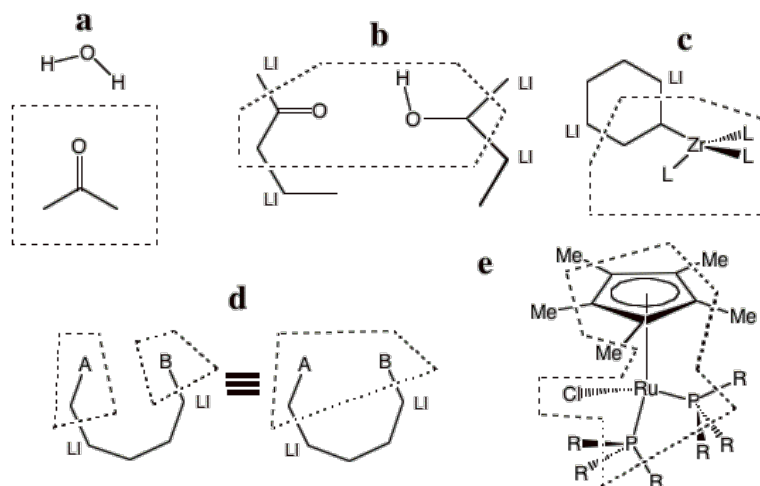


Figure 3 Representative examples of QM/MM partitioning that can be used in the Hybrid engine.

1.3.3 Electrostatic Embedding

Electrostatic embedding involving capping atoms can, without additional measures, result in unphysical behavior, such as nuclear fusion or extreme repulsion. The problem is the point charge of the MM boundary atom, which is located very close to the QM capping atom. To remedy this, our default implementation sets the charge at the position of the MM boundary atom to zero, and redistributes it over the remaining MM atoms while keeping the total charge (in the MM region) constant. While this avoids plain pathological behavior, the user should note that this alters the dipole moment of the MM region, which may have consequences for the behavior of the system.

In the electrostatic embedding setup, the sub-region E that is passed to the MM-engine is by default not provided with capping atoms, since the MM engine can handle an un-capped system. To compute the electrostatic embedding energy for a system with capping atoms, the energy expression needs to be slightly adjusted.

- 1) The MM energy of region E, without capping atoms.
- 2) The QM energy of capped A-region (A_C), including interaction with point charges region E.
- 3) The MM energy of full system without electrostatics.
- 4) The MM energy of region E without electrostatics and without capping atoms.
- 5) The MM energy of capped A-region (A_C) without electrostatics.

$$E = E^{MM}(E) + E^{QM}(A_C(V^E)) + E_{\text{nonelstat}}^{MM}(A+E) - E_{\text{nonelstat}}^{MM}(A_C) - E_{\text{nonelstat}}^{MM}(E)$$

HYBRID ENGINE OPTIONS

2.1 Sub-engines and EngineIDs

Inside the Hybrid engine input block one or more sub-engine blocks can be defined. These have exactly the same format as regular engine blocks. There is, however, one extra feature: the `EngineId`. Optionally, a unique name can be added to the engine definition as an extra string, serving as an identifier. By default the identifier is simply the engine name. The extra string allows the user to select the same engine multiple times, each time with different settings.

This is an example, where we use the same engine (ADF) with two different basis sets, computing the average result.

```
Engine Hybrid
  Energy # we want the average energy obtained with the DZ and TZP basis sets
  Term EngineId=adf-tzp factor=0.5
  Term EngineId=adf-dz factor=0.5
End

Engine ADF adf-tzp # here adf-tzp is the EngineID
  Basis Type=TZP
End

Engine ADF adf-dz
  Basis Type=DZ
End

EndEngine
```

EngineIDs are for instance used in the technical example *QUILD* (page 84), which tests that EngineIDs are case-insensitive.

```
Engine header
```

Engine

Type Block

Recurring True

Description The input for the computational (sub) engine. The header of the block determines the type of the engine. An optional second word in the header serves as the EngineID, if not present it defaults to the engine name. Currently it is not allowed to have a Hybrid engine as a sub engine.

2.2 Linear Combination of Energy Terms

The block `Energy` triggers a QUILD-like setup, allowing the energy to be defined as a linear combination of energy terms. Each energy term can be computed with a different engine.

See the *basic QUILD example* (page 2). As you can see capping can be enabled per energy term, and the user can set a charge per term (for the corresponding region).

```
Energy
  Term
    Charge float
    EngineID string
    Factor float
    Region string
    UseCappingAtoms Yes/No
  End
End
```

Energy

Type Block

Description This block is there to construct the energy.

Term

Type Block

Recurring True

Description This block is there to construct the energy term. Can have multiple occurrences

Charge

Type Float

Default value 0.0

Description Net charge to be used for this energy term.

EngineID

Type String

Description Identifier for the engine

Factor

Type Float

Default value 1.0

Description

Region

Type String

Description Identifier for the region

UseCappingAtoms

Type Bool

Default value Yes

Description Whether to use capping for broken bonds

2.3 QM/MM

The alternative to the `Energy` block is the `QMMM` block, which triggers a two-layer computation. The embedding type can be selected with the `Embedding` key, for which mechanical or electrostatic can be selected. The former option triggers a specific linear combination of three energy terms, and can therefore also be set up using the `Energy` block (see *basic QUILD example* (page 2)).

See the *basic electrostatic embedding example* (page 5). Capping can be disabled, and charges can be set for the QM and MM regions.

```
QMMM
  Embedding [Mechanical | Electrostatic]
  MMCharge float
  MMEngineID string
  QMCharge float
  QMEngineID string
  QMRegion string
  UseCappingAtoms Yes/No
End
```

QMMM

Type Block

Description This block is there to identify the QMMM engines.

Embedding

Type Multiple Choice

Default value Electrostatic

Options [Mechanical, Electrostatic]

Description Determines how the QM region is embedded into the MM region. Mechanical embedding embedding can also be achieved using the `Energy%Terms` keywords, but the common case of a two region mechanical QM/MM embedding is easier to set up using this keyword.

MMCharge

Type Float

Default value 0.0

Description Net charge to be used for the MM region.

MMEngineID

Type String

Description Identifier for the MM engine

QMCharge

Type Float

Default value 0.0

Description Net charge to be used for the QM region.

QMEngineID

Type String

Description Identifier for the QM engine

QMRegion

Type String

Description Identifier for the QM region. The rest of the system is considered the MM region.

UseCappingAtoms

Type Bool

Default value Yes

Description Whether to use capping for broken bonds.

2.4 Capping

Whether of not capping is enabled is set inside the Energy and QMMM blocks. If enabled then the user can influence the position and type of the capping atom with the Capping sub-block.

```
Capping
  AllowHighBondOrders Yes/No
  AtomicInfoForCappingAtom string
  CappingElement string
  CheckCapping Yes/No
  Distance float
  Option [Fractional | Fixed]
End
```

Capping

Type Block

Description This block is about capping details. Capping occurs with hydrogen atoms when a bond is broken between an atom inside the region and one outside.

AllowHighBondOrders

Type Bool

Default value No

Description Allows capping of interregional aromatic, double and triple bonds. This is normally not a good idea, since the capping is done with hydrogen atoms.

AtomicInfoForCappingAtom

Type String

Default value ForceField.Type=H_ ForceField.Charge=0.0

Description The AtomicInfo for the capping atoms. Typically a string like ForceField.Type=X much like forcefield info is entered in the System block for normal atoms.

CappingElement

Type String

Default value H

Description The element to be used for capping. The hydrogen atom has the advantage that it is very small.

CheckCapping**Type** Bool**Default value** Yes**Description** The same outside atom can be involved in multiple capping coordinate definitions. This is not a good idea, and this will not be accepted by using this check.**Distance****Type** Float**Default value** -1.0**Description** A negative value means automatic. In that case the sum of covalent radii is used**Option****Type** Multiple Choice**Default value** Fixed**Options** [Fractional, Fixed]**GUI name** Capping option**Description** The capping atom is always along the broken bond vector. The bond distance between the capping atom and the two atoms are obtained from covalent radii, let us call them D1H and D2H. With option=Fractional the capping is on the bond vector with the fraction $D1H/(D1H+D2H)$. With the Fixed option it is at the distance D1H from atom 1. A distance of zero always means the coordinate of the inside atom.

For a specific application of QM/MM with capping atoms see this [example](#) (page 82).

2.5 Restarts

In a molecular dynamics run or geometry optimization, the geometries at subsequent steps are often very similar. Generally, efficiency can be gained by providing the engines with information from the previous step (“restart”), as this might speed up the SCF or charge equilibration procedure, if applicable. To the forcefield engine, this might avoid re-loading of the database, guessing bonds, etc. at every step. By default all sub-engines are provided with restart information. It can be switched off with the `RestartSubEngines` key.

```
RestartSubEngines Yes/No
```

RestartSubEngines**Type** Bool**Default value** Yes**Description** Save all the results of the subengines and pass those in a next geometry step or MD step.

2.6 Charges per region

The user can specify charges per region associated with each energy term.

Depending on the setup the charges can be set with the `Energy%Term%Charge` or the `QMMM%mmCharge` and `QMMM%mmCharge` keys.

For a QM engine the charge for a region determines the number of electrons in the region defined in the energy term. For the ForceField engine, charges are specified per atom, and they should add up to the charge specified for the region.

2.6.1 Linear Combination of Energy Terms

When the Linear Combination of Energy Terms feature is selected, but using the `Energy` block, the energy is a linear combination of independent calculations. It is in this spirit that the total charge is considered to be

$$Q = \sum_i^N w_i Q^{\text{engine}(i)}(\text{region}(i))$$

In the QMMM setup the total charge is the sum of the charge of the mm region and the qm region.

2.6.2 Electrostatic Embedding

In general, the charges for sub-regions should be consistent with the charge specified for the total system. However, in the case of an electrostatic embedding computation with capping atoms, the sum of charges of the subsystems used in the computation of the five energy terms is allowed to deviate from the total system charge.

$$E = E^{MM}(E) + E^{QM}(A_C(V^E)) + E_{\text{nonelstat}}^{MM}(A+E) - E_{\text{nonelstat}}^{MM}(A_C) - E_{\text{nonelstat}}^{MM}(E)$$

The MM region that will be passed to the MM engine (term 1) will often have a fractional charge, due to un-capped dangling bonds. The fractional charge of the QM-region however (term 2), should be corrected by the capping atom charges, to yield a chemical system that optimally resembles the full system. As a result, the sub-region charges do not need to add up to the total charge of the system.

PDB2ADF: TRANSFORM PDB FILE TO QMMM INPUT FILE

The `pdb2adf` utility program was written by Marcel Swart.

3.1 Overview

3.1.1 General description

Starting from the ADF2005.01 version the utility `pdb2adf` is available in the official release. Previously this utility could be found on the contributed software page. Starting from AMS2020 the default is to make an amsified ADF input, which can not be used with previous versions. One can get the old style input if the environment variable `SCM_PDB2ADF` is set to `OLD` (only to be used with `ADF<=2019`). One can get the `NEWQMMM` style input if the environment variable `SCM_PDB2ADF` is set to `NEW` (only to be used with `ADF<=2019`).

The `pdb2adf` utility was written to read a [PDB file](http://www.pdb.org) (<http://www.pdb.org>), which contains the atomic coordinates of a protein structure, and transform it into an ADF inputfile, particularly for use with QMMM calculations. It can also be used for setting up a solvent shell around a solute molecule.

The PDB files are generally used for protein structures, and are formatted according to certain rules, see: <http://www.wwpdb.org/docs.html>, and the part about the official PDB format below.

For every residue/molecule present in the PDB file, there should be a fragment file available, either in the general AMS library (`$AMSHOME/atomicdata/pdb2adf` directory), or in the local directory where the `pdb2adf` program is being called. Fragment files in the local directory take higher priority than those in the general AMS library. The fragment files are formatted, based loosely on AMBER parameter files, and contain information about the residues; e.g., the atoms present, with their general and forcefield atomnames, atomic charges, connections to other atoms for creating their positions when not found on the PDB file, etc.; see part about fragment files below. Available in the AMS library are fragment files for amino acid residues, including those at the N- or C-terminal residue, three solvents (water, methanol, chloroform), some ions that are present frequently in protein structures (copper, fluoride), etc.

Also present in the AMS library are solvent box files that can be used to place a layer of solvents surrounding the protein, or a solute. Available are the three solvents mentioned above.

After reading the PDB and corresponding fragment files, the program tries to figure out which atoms are missing, and will add those; it uses the information provided on the fragment files to do so. For certain amino acid residues, there are several protonation states possible, e.g. histidine can be protonated at the N-delta position, at the N-epsilon position, or on both. The default option is to choose the fully charged option for aspartate (Asp), glutamate (Glu), lysine (Lys) residues, and decide for each histidine (His) and cysteine (Cys) residue individually what the protonation state should be. In those individual cases, the distances of neighboring molecules/residues are given that may help determine the protonation state. See the protein example below.

After all that is setup properly, a list is given with residue names/numbers, from which you can choose those that should be placed in the QM system; afterwards, for each of the selected QM residues, a choice should be made where to cut-off the QM part. The most appropriate point to cut-off seems to be at the C-alpha position, except when dealing

with a proline (Pro). The latter residue is cyclic, e.g. the sidechain is connected to the C-alpha carbon ! For that residue, it may be better to include the C-alpha, H-alpha, and backbone carbonyl group of the preceding residue in the QM part.

The program will try to use to replace the “.pdb” extension of the PDB file by “.pdb2adf” for the AMS inputfile to be made; for convenience, the program also writes out an “.p2a.pdb” file with the complete system as it being made by the program. This file can then be visualized by conventional viewer programs (such as iMol, VMD, Molekel, AMSview) for visual inspection if everything has been carried out correctly.

Given below are two examples, one for the application of a protein, the other how to set up a solvent shell run.

3.1.2 Things to notice

- The QMMM implementation in AMS2020 is new. It uses the AMS Hybrid engine.
- By default pdb2adf makes an AMS Hybrid Engine input format.
- The pdb2adf program uses AMBER parameter files, and is setup to work with the AMBER force field, version AMBER95, which is designed for and works well for biosystems.
- For questions, remarks, contact: support@scm.com.

For ADF<=2019 only:

- The old style QMMM input format is used if the environment variable SCM_PDB2ADF is set to OLD.
- The NEWQMMM style QMMM input format is used if the environment variable SCM_PDB2ADF is set to NEW.

3.1.3 Official PDB format

Columns	Data Type	Field	Definition
1 - 6	Record name	'ATOM' or 'HETATM'	
7 - 11	Integer	serial	Atom serial number.
13 - 16	Atom	name	Atom name.
17	Character	altLoc	Alternate location indicator.
18 - 20	Residue name	resName	Residue name.
22	Character	chainID	Chain identifier.
23 - 26	Integer	resSeq	Residue sequence number.
27	AChar	iCode	borderleft for insertion of residues.
31 - 38	Real(8.3)	x	Orthogonal coordinates for X in Angstroms.
39 - 46	Real(8.3)	y	Orthogonal coordinates for Y in Angstroms.
47 - 54	Real(8.3)	z	Orthogonal coordinates for Z in Angstroms.
55 - 60	Real(6.2)	occupancy	Occupancy.
61 - 66	Real(6.2)	tempFactor	Temperature factor.
73 - 76	LString(4)	segID	Segment identifier, left-justified.
77 - 78	LString(2)	element	Element symbol, right-justified.
79 - 80	LString(2)	charge	Charge on the atom.

Typical examples from PDB-files:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
12345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890123456789012345678901234567890							

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ATOM	76	O	GLY	A9	6.671	55.354	35.873	1.00	14.75	A
ATOM	77	N	ASN	A10	6.876	53.257	36.629	1.00	16.09	A
ATOM	62	O	GLY	A 9	6.791	55.214	35.719	1.00	15.61	4AZU 153
ATOM	63	N	ASN	A 10	6.892	53.135	36.555	1.00	12.64	4AZU 154

The pdb2adf utility is flexible, and should be able to read most PDB files, even those with incomplete or erroneous line formats. From every ATOM/HETATM line, it tries to read:

- atom number
- atom name
- residuename
- chain identifier
- residue number
- X,Y,Z coordinates

Hints for proper formatting:

- always group together atoms that belong to one residue
- always give the atom name on columns 13-16
- when specifying a chain-id use only letters (or a blank)

3.1.4 Contents of fragment file

Given below is the contents of the fragment file for water. The first line is a comment line, the only important parameter is the NOCONNECT keyword, which indicates that the program should not try to make any connections to other residues/molecules. Then follow three lines, that define the orientation in space of the residue; they are not used for general fragments, but are relevant and important for amino acid residues and DNA nucleotides. Finally, for each atom in the molecule, there should be a line with its number in the fragment; its name to be used in PDB files; the AMBER forcefield atomtype; a dummy atomname; connections and coordinates (bond, angle, dihedral angle) to other atoms in the molecule that can be used to give the position of the atom if it is not present in the PDB file; the atomic charge; and after the exclamation mark (!) the connections to other atoms in this fragment, or other fragments in case of amino acid residues/DNA nucleotides. The current version does not use the latter connections yet, but the next version will probably use them.

HOH	Water molecule			NOCONNECT						
1	DUMM	DU	M	0	0	0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	
2	DUMM	DU	M	1	0	0	1.4490	0.0000	0.0000	
3	DUMM	DU	M	2	1	0	1.5220	111.1000	0.0000	
4	O	OW	O	0	0	0	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	-0.8340 !
↔5	6									
5	H1	HW	H	4	0	0	0.9572	0.0000	0.0000	0.4170 !
↔4										
6	H2	HW	H	4	5	0	0.9572	104.5200	0.0000	0.4170 !
↔4										

3.1.5 Contents of solvent box files

The first line is a comment line, followed by a line with the total number of atoms in the solvent box and the dimensions of the box (in Angstroms); then for each atom in the box, the atom name, which must match the PDB atomname, and the Cartesian coordinates, again in Angstroms.

3.2 Usage of pdb2adf

3.2.1 Short description

The program works interactively, and should be straightforwardly to use. However, for some of the stages in the output a short description is given below.

```

                P D B 2 A D F - program
                version 2008.01
                Written by: Marcel Swart, 2008

                This program uses AMBER parameter files
                see: http://amber.scripps.edu

Do you want a logfile to be written (Y/n) ?

```

This option exists to create a logfile of what pdb2adf does. However, it should normally be used only for debugging purposes.

```

Ignoring atom on line:
ATOM      974      OH LYS A 128      -10.073 42.775 15.690 1.00 38.79      5AZU1065

```

This is a warning that the atom on that particular line is ignored, should normally occur only few times (less than ten). Depends also on how well the PDB file follows the PDB format rules.

```

Data Processed:
  Nat:      2519
  Nmol:      196
  NChains:    1

```

Information about what has been read on the PDB file: the total number of atoms (Nat), number of molecules/residues (Nmol) and number of protein chains (Nchains).

```

Please wait, making connection tables

```

At this point, the connections between the atoms are being made by looking at atom distances. It may take a while, depending on the size of the system.

```

Do you want to make separate files for each chain (Y/n) ?

```

You have the option to make different inputfiles for different protein chains, but you can also make one inputfile for all of them together.

```

Found the following terminal amino acid residues : (C-term) 128 (N-term) 1
Do you want to use these as terminal residues (Y/n) ?

```

Info is given about the C- and N-terminal residue of each chain. Reported for making sure they are chosen correctly. Note, if the C- and N-terminal residues are connected (rarely the case probably), enter N here.

```

Multiple AMBER options for HIS :
  0          Decide every time differently
  1  HID     Histidine Delta Hydrogen
  2  HIE     Histidine Epsilon Hydrogen
  3  HIP     Histidine E & D Hydrogens

Suggested option: 0

```


For a number of residues (His, Glu, Asp, Lys and Cys) there is more than one option available in the AMBER95 force field, depending on the protonation state (His, Glu, Asp and Lys) or the existence of a sulphur bridge/connection to a metal atom (Cys). The default is to choose a different option for the His and Cys residues, and use one option for Glu, Asp and Lys (fully charged). However, if wanted you can make a choice for all residues.

```
Multiple AMBER options for CYS 3 ( 3 ) :
  1 CYS Cysteine (SH)
  2 CYM Deprotonated Cysteine (S-)
  3 CYX Cystine (S-S bridge)

Connections and Nearest Atoms for SG CYS 3 SG ( P2A # 41 PDB# 20 )
  Dist P2A Nr PDB Nr Label Near Dist P2A Nr PDB Nr Label
1 1.82 38 19 CB CYS 3 CB 1 3.79 2382 980 O ↵
↪HOH 151 O
2 2.02 461 193 SG CYS 26 SG 2 3.80 22 0 HC ↵
↪GLN 2
3 4.04 2391 983 O ↵
↪HOH 154 O
4 4.15 509 206 O ↵
↪GLN 28 O
5 4.18 522 0 HA ↵
↪PHE 29
Suggestion: 3
```

The options for Cys3 are given, with information about the atoms bonded to the SG sulphur atom (on the left), as well as the closest five non-bonded atoms (on the right). This information may help you decide which choice to make for this particular residue. Also given (on the bottom) is the suggested choice, which is based, in this case, on the presence of a sulphur bridge.

```
Multiple AMBER options for HIS 46 ( 46 ) :
  1 HID Histidine Delta Hydrogen
  2 HIE Histidine Epsilon Hydrogen
  3 HIP Histidine E & D Hydrogens

Connections and Nearest Atoms for ND HIS 46 ND1 ( P2A # 844 PDB# 347 )
  Dist P2A Nr PDB Nr Label Near Dist P2A Nr PDB Nr Label
1 1.37 843 346 CG HIS 46 CG 1 2.62 2166 0 H1 ↵
↪MET 121
2 1.33 846 349 CE HIS 46 CE1 2 3.23 2080 863 ND ↵
↪HIS 117 ND1
3 2.04 2318 959 CU CU 130 CU 3 HB 3.33 2163 900 S ↵
↪MET 121 SD
4 3.40 2164 901 CT ↵
↪MET 121 CE
5 3.57 2082 865 CE ↵
↪HIS 117 CE1

Connections and Nearest Atoms for NE HIS 46 NE2 ( P2A # 848 PDB# 350 )
  Dist P2A Nr PDB Nr Label Near Dist P2A Nr PDB Nr Label
1 1.32 846 349 CE HIS 46 CE1 1 HB 2.70 162 67 O ↵
↪ASN 10 O
2 1.37 850 348 CD HIS 46 CD2 2 2.83 814 0 H1 ↵
↪MET 44
3 3.23 2166 0 H1 ↵
↪MET 121
4 3.52 822 332 O ↵
↪MET 44 O
```

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```

5          3.74      813      334 CT _
↔MET   44  CG
Suggestion: 2

```

For His residues, the information is given for both the delta- and the epsilon nitrogen atoms. Also indicated (by HB) is the presence of a hydrogen bond with another atom. The definition used here is that two atoms are hydrogen bonded if they are both non-carbon/non-hydrogen atoms, and the distance between them is less than the sum of the van der Waals radii of the atoms. It is a simple definition, but seems to be effective. In this case, as the N(delta) is bonded to copper, the proton should be attached to the N(epsilon).

Making choice **for** which molecules should be QM, which MM

Now we come to the part where the division in the QM and MM systems is made.

```

Residues belonging to chain 0
Option Molecule  Option Molecule  Option Molecule  Option Molecule  _
↔Option Molecule
   1: ALA   1          28: GLN   28          55: ASP   55          82: ALA   82          _
↔109: ALA 109
   2: GLN   2          29: PHE   29          56: LYS   56          83: HIS   83          _
↔110: TYR 110
etc

```

All molecules/residues belonging to chain 0 are given, with an option number.

Give option number of molecules to be put **in** QM region (or 'c' to **continue**):
 Note: by specifying a negative number a molecule **is** removed **from the** QM region

Here you are asked to enter the option numbers of the residues you want to put in the QM system.

```

Putting GLY   45 in QM region
Putting HIS   46 in QM region

```

In this case, Gly45 and His46 have been put in the QM system.

```

Make a choice for the QM/MM treatment of GLY   45
0: Put completely in QM region
1: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH in QM region, CO in MM region)
2: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH in MM region, CO in QM region)
3: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH and CO in MM region)
4: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH and CO in QM region,  sidechain in MM region)
5: Put only part of sidechain in QM region

Suggestion: 2
Give choice:

```

A choice should be made for where to cut-off the QM system. Normally this is done at the C(alpha) position, and you should simply choose the Suggestion.

```

Solvent molecules (SOL/HOH) belonging to this chain:
  1   2   3   4   5   6   7   8   9  10  11  12  13  14  15  16  17 _
↔ 18  19  20
 21  22  23  24  25  26  27  28  29  30  31  32  33  34  35  36  37 _
↔ 38  39  40
 41  42  43  44  45  46  47  48  49  50  51  52  53  54  55  56  57 _
↔ 58  59  60

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```
61 62 63 64 65 66
```

Give the number of the molecule to be put **in** QM region (**or** 'c' to **continue**):

Also water molecules can be put in the QM system.

Box Shape options:

- 1 Spherical box
- 2 Cubic box

Make a choice:

Type of box to be used.

```
Maximum atomic distance (Angs) from center      25.62
Give boxsize (def.:    28.62 Angs)
```

Size of box to be used to put a layer of solvent molecules around the system. Max. dist. is the maximal distance of any protein atom from the center of mass of the protein. Usually you should choose a boxsize at least 6 Angstrom larger (so at least two solvent molecules are surrounding the system).

...

```
Using BOXSIZE value of 30.0000
Adding atoms for box    1  Added (Box):    0 (Total):    0  Excl. (1):  648  Excl.
→ (2):    0
Adding atoms for box    2  Added (Box):    9 (Total):    9  Excl. (1):  639  Excl.
→ (2):    0
Adding atoms for box   63  Added (Box):    3 (Total):  7635  Excl. (1):  645  Excl.
→ (2):    0
Adding atoms for box   64  Added (Box):    0 (Total):  7635  Excl. (1):  648  Excl.
→ (2):    0
Writing inputfile for chain  1
```

A total amount of 7635 atoms (2545 water molecules) has been added.

```
Inputfile(s) written, everything processed, work has been done.
Thank you for using the PDB2ADF program.
```

```
=====
Normal ending of PDB2ADF program
=====
```

ADF inputfile(s) have been written, the PDB-file has been processed. Everything is done.

3.2.2 An example on protein structure

The idea of this example is to make an adf-input file using a PDB of an azurin (1DYZ.pdb.txt). The result of this example should be that in the adf-input file the active site of azurin (Figure 1) is in the QM part, and the rest of the protein is in the MM part, and that the solvent water is added (in a box), which is also in the MM part.

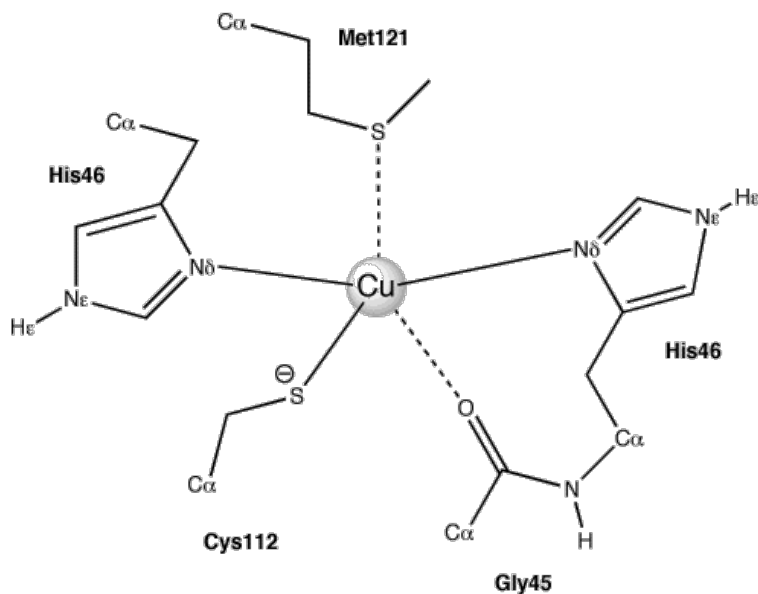


Figure 1: the active site of azurin

Usage of pdb2adf

The program works interactively. Given below in **bold** are the parts that the user has to type. In cases where the user agrees with the suggestion given by the program, the user can press the Enter key indicated with **Enter**.

```

          P D B 2 A D F - program
          version 2008.01
          Written by: Marcel Swart, 2008

          This program uses AMBER parameter files
          see: http://amber.scripps.edu

Please give name of PDB-file

```

1DYZ.pdb.txt

```
Do you want a logfile to be written (Y/n) ?
```

Enter

```

read fragments

Data Processed:
  Nat:      2519
  Nmol:     196
  Nchains:   1

Please wait, making connection tables
Now finding nearby atoms
Assigning chain ID to all residues
Completing residues for which only option is available

Found the following terminal amino acid residues : (C-term)  129 (N-term)  1
Do you want to use these as terminal residues (Y/n) ?

```

Enter

Refinding nearby atoms (including atoms added **in** residue completion)

Multiple AMBER options **for** HIS :

- 0 Decide every time differently
- 1 HID Histidine Delta Hydrogen
- 2 HIE Histidine Epsilon Hydrogen
- 3 HIP Histidine E & D Hydrogens

Suggested option: 0

Enter

Using 0: Decide every time differently

Multiple AMBER options **for** GLU :

- 0 Decide every time differently
- 1 GLU Glutamic acid (COO-)
- 2 GLH Neutral Glutamic acid (COOH)

Suggested option: 1

Enter

Using 17 GLU Glutamic acid (COO-)

Multiple AMBER options **for** ASP :

- 0 Decide every time differently
- 1 ASP Aspartic acid (COO-)
- 2 ASH Neutral Aspartatic acid (COOH)

Suggested option: 1

Enter

Using 18 ASP Aspartic acid (COO-)

Multiple AMBER options **for** LYS :

- 0 Decide every time differently
- 1 LYS Charged Lysine (NH3+)
- 2 LYN Neutral Lysine (NH2)

Suggested option: 1

Enter

Using 19 LYS Charged Lysine (NH3+)

Multiple AMBER options **for** CYS :

- 0 Decide every time differently
- 1 CYS Cysteine (SH)
- 2 CYM Deprotonated Cysteine (S-)
- 3 CYX Cystine (S-S bridge)

Suggested option: 0

Enter

Using 0: Decide every time differently

 Making Choices for Chain 0

Multiple AMBER options for CYS 3 (3) :

- 1 CYS Cysteine (SH)
- 2 CYM Deprotonated Cysteine (S-)
- 3 CYX Cystine (S-S bridge)

Connections and Nearest Atoms for SG CYS 3 SG (P2A # 41 PDB# 20)

	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label		Near	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label
1	1.82	38	19	CB CYS	3	CB	1	3.79	2382	980 O
↔HOH	151	O								
2	2.02	461	193	SG CYS	26	SG	2	3.80	22	0 HC
↔GLN	2									
							3	4.04	2391	983 O
↔HOH	154	O								
							4	4.15	509	206 O
↔GLN	28	O								
							5	4.18	522	0 HA
↔PHE	29									

Suggestion: 3

Enter

Multiple AMBER options for CYS 26 (26) :

- 1 CYS Cysteine (SH)
- 2 CYM Deprotonated Cysteine (S-)
- 3 CYX Cystine (S-S bridge)

Connections and Nearest Atoms for SG CYS 26 SG (P2A # 461 PDB# 193)

	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label		Near	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label
1	1.82	458	192	CB CYS	26	CB	1	3.41	522	0 HA
↔PHE	29									
2	2.02	41	20	SG CYS	3	SG	2	3.43	411	168 O
↔ASP	23	O								
							3	3.60	2322	960 O
↔HOH	131	O								
							4	3.91	403	169 CB
↔ASP	23	CB								
							5	4.15	387	0 HC
↔VAL	22									

Suggestion: 3

Enter

Multiple AMBER options for HIS 32 (32) :

- 1 HID Histidine Delta Hydrogen
- 2 HIE Histidine Epsilon Hydrogen
- 3 HIP Histidine E & D Hydrogens

Connections and Nearest Atoms for ND HIS 32 ND1 (P2A # 581 PDB# 244)

	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label		Near	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label
1	1.39	580	243	CG HIS	32	CG	1	3.41	545	0 HC
↔THR	30									
2	1.33	583	246	CE HIS	32	CE1	2	3.43	76	33 O
↔ALA	5	O								

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↔THR	6	OG1						3	3.58	90	40	OH	└
↔THR	6							4	3.99	91	0	HO	└
↔ALA	5							5	4.17	68	0	H	└
Connections and Nearest Atoms for NE HIS 32 NE2 (P2A # 585 PDB# 247)													
	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label				Near	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label	
1	1.31	583	246	CE HIS 32	CE1			1	2.86	544	0	HC	└
↔THR	30												
2	1.37	587	245	CD HIS 32	CD2			2	3.00	545	0	HC	└
↔THR	30												
								3	3.14	1677	0	HO	└
↔SER	94												
								4	3.42	542	229	CT	└
↔THR	30	CG2											
								5	3.65	1676	688	OH	└
↔SER	94	OG											
Suggestion: 1													

3

Multiple AMBER options for HIS 35 (35) :													
1	HID	Histidine Delta Hydrogen											
2	HIE	Histidine Epsilon Hydrogen											
3	HIP	Histidine E & D Hydrogens											
Connections and Nearest Atoms for ND HIS 35 ND1 (P2A # 649 PDB# 271)													
	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label				Near	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label	
1	1.38	648	270	CG HIS 35	CG			1	2.46	682	0	H	└
↔GLY	37												
2	1.32	651	273	CE HIS 35	CE1			2	2.69	1604	0	H1	└
↔GLY	89												
								3	3.31	681	282	N	└
↔GLY	37	N											
								4	3.56	1602	653	CT	└
↔GLY	89	CA											
								5	3.67	152	0	H1	└
↔ASN	10												
Connections and Nearest Atoms for NE HIS 35 NE2 (P2A # 653 PDB# 274)													
	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label				Near	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label	
1	1.33	651	273	CE HIS 35	CE1			1	2.91	822	332	O	└
↔MET	44	O											
2	1.37	655	272	CD HIS 35	CD2			2	3.24	814	0	H1	└
↔MET	44												
								3	3.24	850	348	CD	└
↔HIS	46	CD2											
								4	3.34	1593	0	H1	└
↔GLY	88												
								5	3.75	848	350	NE	└
↔HIS	46	NE2											
Suggestion: 2													

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Multiple AMBER options for HIS 46 ( 46) :
  1  HID  Histidine Delta Hydrogen
  2  HIE  Histidine Epsilon Hydrogen
  3  HIP  Histidine E & D Hydrogens

Connections and Nearest Atoms for ND HIS 46 ND1 ( P2A # 844 PDB# 347 )
  Dist P2A Nr PDB Nr Label Near Dist P2A Nr PDB Nr Label
  1 1.37 843 346 CG HIS 46 CG 1 2.62 2166 0 H1 _
↔MET 121
  2 1.33 846 349 CE HIS 46 CE1 2 3.23 2080 863 ND _
↔HIS 117 ND1
  3 2.04 2318 959 CU CU 130 CU 3 HB 3.33 2163 900 S _
↔MET 121 SD
  4 3.40 2164 901 CT _
↔MET 121 CE
  5 3.57 2082 865 CE _
↔HIS 117 CE1

Connections and Nearest Atoms for NE HIS 46 NE2 ( P2A # 848 PDB# 350 )
  Dist P2A Nr PDB Nr Label Near Dist P2A Nr PDB Nr Label
  1 1.32 846 349 CE HIS 46 CE1 1 HB 2.70 162 67 O _
↔ASN 10 O
  2 1.37 850 348 CD HIS 46 CD2 2 2.83 814 0 H1 _
↔MET 44
  3 3.23 2166 0 H1 _
↔MET 121
  4 3.52 822 332 O _
↔MET 44 O
  5 3.74 813 334 CT _
↔MET 44 CG
Suggestion: 2
  
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Enter

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Multiple AMBER options for HIS 83 ( 83) :
  1  HID  Histidine Delta Hydrogen
  2  HIE  Histidine Epsilon Hydrogen
  3  HIP  Histidine E & D Hydrogens

Connections and Nearest Atoms for ND HIS 83 ND1 ( P2A # 1494 PDB# 613 )
  Dist P2A Nr PDB Nr Label Near Dist P2A Nr PDB Nr Label
  1 1.39 1493 612 CG HIS 83 CG 1 2.67 1317 0 HC _
↔VAL 73
  2 1.33 1496 615 CE HIS 83 CE1 2 3.63 1315 542 CT _
↔VAL 73 CG2
  3 3.74 1310 0 HC _
↔VAL 73
  4 3.82 1316 0 HC _
↔VAL 73
  5 3.86 1313 0 HC _
↔VAL 73

Connections and Nearest Atoms for NE HIS 83 NE2 ( P2A # 1498 PDB# 616 )
  Dist P2A Nr PDB Nr Label Near Dist P2A Nr PDB Nr Label
  1 1.32 1496 615 CE HIS 83 CE1 1 3.09 1313 0 HC _
↔VAL 73
  2 1.38 1500 614 CD HIS 83 CD2 2 3.44 1317 0 HC _
↔VAL 73
  
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↔HOH	152	O				3	3.88	2385	981	O	↵
↔VAL	73	CG1				4	3.93	1311	541	CT	↵
↔VAL	73	CB				5	4.03	1309	540	CT	↵
Suggestion: 2											

3Multiple AMBER options **for** CYS 112 (112) :

- 1 CYS Cysteine (SH)
- 2 CYM Deprotonated Cysteine (S-)
- 3 CYX Cystine (S-S bridge)

Connections **and** Nearest Atoms **for** SG CYS 112 SG (P2A # 2001 PDB# 828)

	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label				Near	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label
1	1.82	1998	827	CB CYS 112 CB				1	2.53	858	0	H ↵
↔ASN	47											
2	2.14	2318	959	CU CU 130 CU				2	2.65	2023	0	H ↵
↔PHE	114											
								3	3.00	2028	0	HC ↵
↔PHE	114											
								4	3.29	868	0	H ↵
↔ASN	47											
								5	3.39	2027	0	HC ↵
↔PHE	114											
Suggestion: 2												

EnterMultiple AMBER options **for** HIS 117 (117) :

- 1 HID Histidine Delta Hydrogen
- 2 HIE Histidine Epsilon Hydrogen
- 3 HIP Histidine E & D Hydrogens

Connections **and** Nearest Atoms **for** ND HIS 117 ND1 (P2A # 2080 PDB# 863)

	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label				Near	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label
1	1.37	2079	862	CG HIS 117 CG				1	2.82	2028	0	HC ↵
↔PHE	114											
2	1.34	2082	865	CE HIS 117 CE1				2	3.23	844	347	ND ↵
↔HIS	46	ND1										
3	1.99	2318	959	CU CU 130 CU				3	3.26	2031	0	HA ↵
↔PHE	114											
								4	3.27	832	340	O ↵
↔GLY	45	O										
								5	3.43	846	349	CE ↵
↔HIS	46	CE1										

Connections **and** Nearest Atoms **for** NE HIS 117 NE2 (P2A # 2084 PDB# 866)

	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label				Near	Dist	P2A Nr	PDB Nr	Label
1	1.31	2082	865	CE HIS 117 CE1				1	2.57	209	0	H1 ↵
↔MET	13											
2	1.37	2086	864	CD HIS 117 CD2				2	2.65	2031	0	HA ↵
↔PHE	114											
								3	2.74	2406	988	O ↵
↔HOH	159	O										

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↔PHE 114 CD1	4	3.34	2030	841	CA	┘
↔MET 13	5	3.41	204	0	H1	┘
Suggestion: 2						

Enter

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      Making Choices for Chain      1
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Completing residues with multiple options available, and solvent molecules

Checking positions of newly added atoms

Making choice for which molecules should be QM, which MM

Residues belonging to chain 0
Option Molecule  Option Molecule  Option Molecule  Option Molecule  ┘
↔Option Molecule
  1: ALA  1          28: GLN  28          55: ASP  55          82: ALA  82          ┘
↔109: ALA 109
  2: GLN  2          29: PHE  29          56: LYS  56          83: HIS  83          ┘
↔110: TYR 110
  3: CYS  3          30: THR  30          57: GLN  57          84: THR  84          ┘
↔111: PHE 111
  4: GLU  4          31: MET  31          58: ALA  58          85: LYS  85          ┘
↔112: CYS 112
  5: ALA  5          32: HIS  32          59: VAL  59          86: VAL  86          ┘
↔113: SER 113
  6: THR  6          33: LEU  33          60: ALA  60          87: ILE  87          ┘
↔114: PHE 114
  7: VAL  7          34: LYS  34          61: THR  61          88: GLY  88          ┘
↔115: PRO 115
  8: GLU  8          35: HIS  35          62: ASP  62          89: GLY  89          ┘
↔116: GLY 116
  9: SER  9          36: VAL  36          63: GLY  63          90: GLY  90          ┘
↔117: HIS 117
 10: ASN  10         37: GLY  37          64: MET  64          91: GLU  91          ┘
↔118: TRP 118
 11: ASP  11         38: LYS  38          65: GLY  65          92: SER  92          ┘
↔119: ALA 119
 12: ALA  12         39: MET  39          66: ALA  66          93: ASP  93          ┘
↔120: MET 120
 13: MET  13         40: ALA  40          67: GLY  67          94: SER  94          ┘
↔121: MET 121
 14: GLN  14         41: LYS  41          68: LEU  68          95: VAL  95          ┘
↔122: LYS 122
 15: TYR  15         42: VAL  42          69: ALA  69          96: THR  96          ┘
↔123: GLY 123
 16: ASN  16         43: ALA  43          70: GLN  70          97: PHE  97          ┘
↔124: THR 124
 17: VAL  17         44: MET  44          71: ASP  71          98: ASP  98          ┘
↔125: LEU 125
 18: LYS  18         45: GLY  45          72: TYR  72          99: VAL  99          ┘
↔126: LYS 126

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19: GLU 19      46: HIS 46      73: VAL 73      100: SER 100
↔127: LEU 127
20: ILE 20      47: ASN 47      74: LYS 74      101: LYS 101
↔128: GLY 128
21: VAL 21      48: LEU 48      75: ALA 75      102: ILE 102
↔129: SER 129
22: VAL 22      49: VAL 49      76: GLY 76      103: ALA 103
↔130: CU 130
23: ASP 23      50: LEU 50      77: ASP 77      104: ALA 104
24: LYS 24      51: THR 51      78: THR 78      105: GLY 105
25: SER 25      52: LYS 52      79: ARG 79      106: GLU 106
26: CYS 26      53: ASP 53      80: VAL 80      107: ASN 107
27: LYS 27      54: ALA 54      81: ILE 81      108: TYR 108

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Give option number of molecules to be put **in** QM region (or 'c' to **continue**):

Note: by specifying a negative number a molecule **is** removed **from the** QM region

45 46 112 117 121 130

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Putting GLY 45 in QM region
Putting HIS 46 in QM region
Putting CYS 112 in QM region
Putting HIS 117 in QM region
Putting MET 121 in QM region
Putting CU 130 in QM region

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Give option number of molecules to be put **in** QM region (or 'c' to **continue**):

Note: by specifying a negative number a molecule **is** removed **from the** QM region

c

Make a choice **for** the QM/MM treatment of GLY 45

- 0: Put completely **in** QM region
- 1: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH **in** QM region, CO **in** MM region)
- 2: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH **in** MM region, CO **in** QM region)
- 3: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH **and** CO **in** MM region)
- 4: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH **and** CO **in** QM region, sidechain **in** MM region)
- 5: Put only part of sidechain **in** QM region

Suggestion: 2

Give choice:

Enter

Make a choice **for** the QM/MM treatment of HIS 46

- 0: Put completely **in** QM region
- 1: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH **in** QM region, CO **in** MM region)
- 2: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH **in** MM region, CO **in** QM region)
- 3: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH **and** CO **in** MM region)
- 4: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH **and** CO **in** QM region, sidechain **in** MM region)
- 5: Put only part of sidechain **in** QM region

Suggestion: 1

Give choice:

Enter

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Make a choice for the QM/MM treatment of CYS 112
0: Put completely in QM region
1: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH in QM region, CO in MM region)
2: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH in MM region, CO in QM region)
3: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH and CO in MM region)
4: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH and CO in QM region, sidechain in MM region)
5: Put only part of sidechain in QM region

Suggestion: 3
Give choice:
    
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Enter

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Make a choice for the QM/MM treatment of HIS 117
0: Put completely in QM region
1: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH in QM region, CO in MM region)
2: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH in MM region, CO in QM region)
3: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH and CO in MM region)
4: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH and CO in QM region, sidechain in MM region)
5: Put only part of sidechain in QM region

Suggestion: 3
Give choice:
    
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Enter

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Make a choice for the QM/MM treatment of MET 121
0: Put completely in QM region
1: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH in QM region, CO in MM region)
2: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH in MM region, CO in QM region)
3: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH and CO in MM region)
4: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH and CO in QM region, sidechain in MM region)
5: Put only part of sidechain in QM region

Suggestion: 3
Give choice:
    
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Enter

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Make a choice for the QM/MM treatment of CU 130
0: Put completely in QM region
1: Put only part of molecule in QM region

Suggestion: 0
Give choice:
    
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Enter

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Total formal charge on molecule CU 130 2.0000

Solvent molecules (SOL/HOH) belonging to this chain:
  1  2  3  4  5  6  7  8  9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17_
↔ 18 19 20
 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37_
↔ 38 39 40
 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57_
↔ 58 59 60
    
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61 62 63 64 65 66

Give the number of the molecule to be put **in** QM region (**or** 'c' to **continue**):**c**

Residues belonging to chain 1

Do you want to add solvent to your system (Y/n) ?

Enter

Solvent (box) available:

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1: HOH      HOH  Water molecule
2: MOH      MOH  Methanol molecule
3: CHL      CHL  Chloroform molecule

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Reading contents of solvent box p2abox.HOH

Box Shape options:

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1 Spherical box
2 Cubic box

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Make a choice:

1Writing inputfile **for** chain 0Using total charge 1.0 **and** total spin 1.0Maximum atomic distance (Angs) **from center** 25.62

Give boxsize (def.: 28.62 Angs)

30.0

Using BOXSIZE value of 30.0000

Adding atoms for box	1	Added (Box):	0	(Total):	0	Excl. (1):	648	Excl.
→ (2):	0							
Adding atoms for box	2	Added (Box):	9	(Total):	9	Excl. (1):	639	Excl.
→ (2):	0							
Adding atoms for box	3	Added (Box):	3	(Total):	12	Excl. (1):	645	Excl.
→ (2):	0							
Adding atoms for box	4	Added (Box):	0	(Total):	12	Excl. (1):	648	Excl.
→ (2):	0							
Adding atoms for box	5	Added (Box):	6	(Total):	18	Excl. (1):	642	Excl.
→ (2):	0							
Adding atoms for box	6	Added (Box):	228	(Total):	246	Excl. (1):	420	Excl.
→ (2):	0							
Adding atoms for box	7	Added (Box):	219	(Total):	465	Excl. (1):	429	Excl.
→ (2):	0							
Adding atoms for box	8	Added (Box):	9	(Total):	474	Excl. (1):	639	Excl.
→ (2):	0							
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→ (2):	0							
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→ (2):	0							

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Adding atoms for box	11	Added (Box):	216	(Total):	915	Excl. (1):	432	Excl.
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→ (2):	0							
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→ (2):	0							
Adding atoms for box	14	Added (Box):	6	(Total):	927	Excl. (1):	642	Excl.
→ (2):	0							
Adding atoms for box	15	Added (Box):	12	(Total):	939	Excl. (1):	636	Excl.
→ (2):	0							
Adding atoms for box	16	Added (Box):	0	(Total):	939	Excl. (1):	648	Excl.
→ (2):	0							
Adding atoms for box	17	Added (Box):	12	(Total):	951	Excl. (1):	636	Excl.
→ (2):	0							
Adding atoms for box	18	Added (Box):	210	(Total):	1161	Excl. (1):	438	Excl.
→ (2):	0							
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→ (2):	0							
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→ (2):	294							
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→ (2):	6							
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→ (2):	0							
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→ (2):	3							
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→ (2):	0							
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→ (2):	0							
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→ (2):	3							
Adding atoms for box	35	Added (Box):	216	(Total):	4209	Excl. (1):	432	Excl.
→ (2):	0							
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→ (2):	0							
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→ (2):	3							
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→ (2):	363							
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→ (2):	417							

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↳ (2):      0

Total spin      1.0

Writing inputfile for chain  1
There are no atoms in this chain, ignoring it

Inputfile(s) written, everything processed, work has been done.

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Thank you for using the PDB2ADF program.
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Normal ending of PDB2ADF program
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Contents of the 1DYZ.pdb2adf file generated by pdb2adf

The file is not given completely, since it contains more than 9000 atoms.

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#!/bin/sh

$AMSBIN/ams << eor
System
  Charge 1.0
  Atoms
    N -1.1930 25.6890 17.1840 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.141400
↔ForceField.Type=N3 ! 1 ALA 1 N
    H -0.3133 25.1929 17.1970 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.199700
↔ForceField.Type=H ! 2 ALA 1 H1
    H -1.3738 25.1438 18.0148 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.199700
↔ForceField.Type=H ! 3 ALA 1 H2
    H -1.5170 24.8559 16.7138 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.199700
↔ForceField.Type=H ! 4 ALA 1 H3
    C -1.4820 27.1340 16.8960 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.096200
↔ForceField.Type=CT ! 5 ALA 1 CA
    H -2.1350 27.2082 16.0264 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.088900
↔ForceField.Type=HP ! 6 ALA 1 HA
    C -2.1950 27.7860 18.0880 region=MM ForceField.Charge=-.059700
↔ForceField.Type=CT ! 7 ALA 1 CB
    H -1.5602 27.7210 18.9717 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.030000
↔ForceField.Type=HC ! 8 ALA 1 HB1
    H -2.3971 28.8331 17.8627 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.030000
↔ForceField.Type=HC ! 9 ALA 1 HB2
    H -3.1350 27.2677 18.2776 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.030000
↔ForceField.Type=HC ! 10 ALA 1 HB3
    C -0.1820 27.8790 16.5880 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.616300
↔ForceField.Type=C ! 11 ALA 1 C
    O 0.8890 27.4920 17.0690 region=MM ForceField.Charge=-.572200
↔ForceField.Type=O ! 12 ALA 1 O
    N -0.2890 28.9420 15.7940 region=MM ForceField.Charge=-.415700
↔ForceField.Type=N ! 13 GLN 2 N
    ...
    H 11.6901 6.5638 30.5231 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.271900
↔ForceField.Type=H ! 690 GLY 45 H
    C 11.3760 8.5410 29.7530 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.025200
↔ForceField.Type=CT ! 691 GLY 45 CA
    H 10.9114 9.3322 30.3413 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.069800
↔ForceField.Type=H1 ! 692 GLY 45 HA2
    H 12.4602 8.6423 29.8009 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.069800
↔ForceField.Type=H1 ! 693 GLY 45 HA3
    C 10.9630 8.7450 28.3090 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.597300
↔ForceField.Type=C ! 694 GLY 45 C
    O 10.8510 7.7910 27.5300 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.567900
↔ForceField.Type=O ! 695 GLY 45 O
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N      10.6890    9.9800    27.9260 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.415700  _
↔ForceField.Type=N      !    696 HIS      46 N
H      10.7572   10.7382   28.5898 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.271900  _
↔ForceField.Type=H      !    697 HIS      46 H
C      10.2900   10.2500   26.5530 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.058100  _
↔ForceField.Type=CT     !    698 HIS      46 CA
H      10.5517    9.3991   25.9240 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.136000  _
↔ForceField.Type=H1     !    699 HIS      46 HA
C      8.7770    10.5120   26.4440 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.007400  _
↔ForceField.Type=CT     !    700 HIS      46 CB
H      8.5050   11.3473   27.0893 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.036700  _
↔ForceField.Type=HC     !    701 HIS      46 HB2
H      8.5229   10.7532   25.4118 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.036700  _
↔ForceField.Type=HC     !    702 HIS      46 HB3
C      7.9110    9.3590   26.8430 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.186800  _
↔ForceField.Type=CC     !    703 HIS      46 CG
N      8.0710    8.0910   26.3490 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.543200  _
↔ForceField.Type=NB     !    704 HIS      46 ND1
C      7.1230    7.3010   26.8370 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.163500  _
↔ForceField.Type=CR     !    705 HIS      46 CE1
H      7.0894    6.2496   26.5516 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.143500  _
↔ForceField.Type=H5     !    706 HIS      46 HE1
N      6.3580    8.0230   27.6330 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.279500  _
↔ForceField.Type=NA     !    707 HIS      46 NE2
H      5.5568    7.6742   28.1395 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.333900  _
↔ForceField.Type=H      !    708 HIS      46 HE2
C      6.8210    9.3110   27.6620 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.220700  _
↔ForceField.Type=CW     !    709 HIS      46 CD2
H      6.3141   10.0588   28.2719 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.186200  _
↔ForceField.Type=H4     !    710 HIS      46 HD2
C      10.9790   11.4950   26.0450 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.597300  _
↔ForceField.Type=C      !    711 HIS      46 C
...
C      11.0290    8.8020   20.9600 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.035000  _
↔ForceField.Type=CT     !   1648 CYS     112 CA
H      11.3902    9.8061   21.1823 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.048000  _
↔ForceField.Type=H1     !   1649 CYS     112 HA
C      10.0620    8.3640   22.0630 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.736000  _
↔ForceField.Type=CT     !   1650 CYS     112 CB
H      9.2477    9.0845   22.1402 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.244000  _
↔ForceField.Type=H1     !   1651 CYS     112 HB3
H      9.6557    7.3817   21.8218 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.244000  _
↔ForceField.Type=H1     !   1652 CYS     112 HB2
S      10.8340    8.2410   23.7100 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.736000  _
↔ForceField.Type=SH     !   1653 CYS     112 SG
C      10.1650    3.3080   22.4340 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.058100  _
↔ForceField.Type=CT     !   1710 HIS     117 CA
H      9.2929    2.7403   22.7584 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.136000  _
↔ForceField.Type=H1     !   1711 HIS     117 HA
C      10.1750    4.6030   23.2620 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.007400  _
↔ForceField.Type=CT     !   1712 HIS     117 CB
H      11.1220    5.1220   23.1143 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.036700  _
↔ForceField.Type=HC     !   1713 HIS     117 HB2
H      9.3551    5.2459   22.9418 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.036700  _
↔ForceField.Type=HC     !   1714 HIS     117 HB3
C      10.0160    4.3980   24.7440 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.186800  _
↔ForceField.Type=CC     !   1715 HIS     117 CG

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N      9.7040      5.4090      25.6080 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.543200  _
↔ForceField.Type=NB ! 1716 HIS 117 ND1
C      9.6570      4.9300      26.8540 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.163500  _
↔ForceField.Type=CR ! 1717 HIS 117 CE1
H      9.4228      5.5952      27.6851 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.143500  _
↔ForceField.Type=H5 ! 1718 HIS 117 HE1
N      9.9280      3.6450      26.8000 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.279500  _
↔ForceField.Type=NA ! 1719 HIS 117 NE2
H      9.9617      3.0260      27.5974 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.333900  _
↔ForceField.Type=H ! 1720 HIS 117 HE2
C     10.1580      3.2710      25.4990 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.220700  _
↔ForceField.Type=CW ! 1721 HIS 117 CD2
H     10.3982      2.2340      25.2644 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.186200  _
↔ForceField.Type=H4 ! 1722 HIS 117 HD2
C      6.0350      6.2800      19.5280 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.023700  _
↔ForceField.Type=CT ! 1778 MET 121 CA
H      4.9702      6.5113      19.5559 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.088000  _
↔ForceField.Type=H1 ! 1779 MET 121 HA
C      6.6730      6.7710      20.8330 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.034200  _
↔ForceField.Type=CT ! 1780 MET 121 CB
H      7.7511      6.6157      20.7919 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.024100  _
↔ForceField.Type=HC ! 1781 MET 121 HB2
H      6.4641      7.8329      20.9631 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.024100  _
↔ForceField.Type=HC ! 1782 MET 121 HB3
C      6.1560      6.0500      22.0720 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.001800  _
↔ForceField.Type=CT ! 1783 MET 121 CG
H      5.0693      6.1257      22.1101 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.044000  _
↔ForceField.Type=H1 ! 1784 MET 121 HG2
H      6.4453      5.0000      22.0292 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.044000  _
↔ForceField.Type=H1 ! 1785 MET 121 HG3
S      6.7760      6.6970      23.6140 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.273700  _
↔ForceField.Type=S ! 1786 MET 121 SD
C      6.0690      8.3070      23.6050 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.053600  _
↔ForceField.Type=CT ! 1787 MET 121 CE
H      4.9825      8.2271      23.5709 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.068400  _
↔ForceField.Type=H1 ! 1788 MET 121 HE1
H      6.3654      8.8396      24.5086 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.068400  _
↔ForceField.Type=H1 ! 1789 MET 121 HE2
H      6.4202      8.8537      22.7299 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.068400  _
↔ForceField.Type=H1 ! 1790 MET 121 HE3
CU     9.5640      7.3450      25.1750 region=QM ForceField.Charge=2.000000  _
↔ForceField.Type=CU ! 1915 CU 130 CU
...
O     31.1328      34.4612      22.6903 region=MM ForceField.Charge=-.834000  _
↔ForceField.Type=OW ! 9746 HOH 2545 O
H     31.8908      34.5740      22.1167 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.417000  _
↔ForceField.Type=HW ! 9747 HOH 2545 H1
H     30.6706      35.2981      22.6446 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.417000  _
↔ForceField.Type=HW ! 9748 HOH 2545 H2
End

BondOrders
1      5 1.0
1      2 1.0
1      3 1.0
1      4 1.0
5      7 1.0

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5      11 1.0
5      6 1.0
7      8 1.0
7      9 1.0
7     10 1.0
11     12 1.0
11     13 1.0
13     15 1.0
13     14 1.0
15     17 1.0
15     28 1.0
15     16 1.0
17     20 1.0
17     18 1.0
17     19 1.0
...
9746  9747 1.0
9746  9748 1.0
End
End
Task GeometryOptimization
GeometryOptimization
  MaxIterations 100
  Convergence Gradients=1e-3
End
Engine Hybrid
  QMMM QMRegion=QM QMEngineID=ADF MMEngineID=ForceField
Capping
  AtomicInfoForCappingAtom ForceField.Type=H1 ForceField.Charge=0.0
End
Engine ADF
  Title QM/MM calculation setup by pdb2adf: M.Swart et al., 2020
  Symmetry NOSYM
Eprint
  SFO NOEIG NOOVL
End
XC
  GGA BP86
End
Basis
  type TZP
  core small
End
SCF
  diis ok=0.01
  Converge 1.0e-5 1.0e-5
  Iterations 99
End
Unrestricted
SpinPolarization 1.0
```

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EndEngine
Engine ForceField
  Type Amber95
  ForceFieldFile $AMSHOME/atomicdata/ForceFields/amber95.ff
EndEngine
EndEngine
eor

```

3.2.3 An example on solvent shell run

The idea of this example is to make an adf-input file using a PDB file of water (`hoh.pdb.txt`), in the solvent methanol. The water molecule in the adf-input file should be in the QM part, and the solvent methanol (in a box) is in MM part.

Contents of the hoh.pdb file

```

TITLE      PDB-FILE CORRESPONDING TO pdb2adf-GENERATED ADF-INPUTFILE
REMARK     Written by M. Swart, March 2005
HETATM    1 H1  HOH      1      1.716  26.282  11.239  1.00  0.00      1DYZ H
HETATM    2 O   HOH      1      2.439  25.795  11.634  1.00  0.00      1DYZ O
HETATM    3 H2  HOH      1      3.140  26.440  11.729  1.00  0.00      1DYZ H
END

```

Usage of pdb2adf

The program works interactively. Given below in **bold** are the parts that the user has to type. In cases where the user agrees with the suggestion given by the program, the user can press the Enter key indicated with **Enter**.

```

          P D B 2 A D F - program
          version 2008.01
          Written by: Marcel Swart, 2008

          This program uses AMBER parameter files
          see: http://amber.scripps.edu

Please give name of PDB-file

```

hoh.pdb.txt

```
Do you want a logfile to be written (Y/n) ?
```

Enter

```

read fragments

Data Processed:
  Nat:          3
  Nmol:         1
  NChains:      0

Please wait, making connection tables
Now finding nearby atoms

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```

Assigning chain ID to all residues
Completing residues for which only option is available

Refinding nearby atoms (including atoms added in residue completion)

-----
      Making Choices for Chain      0
-----

Completing residues with multiple options available, and solvent molecules

Checking positions of newly added atoms

Making choice for which molecules should be QM, which MM

Residues belonging to chain  0

Solvent molecules (SOL/HOH) belonging to this chain:
  1

Give the number of the molecule to be put in QM region (or 'c' to continue):

```

1

```

Putting HOH  1 in QM region

Give the number of the molecule to be put in QM region (or 'c' to continue):

```

c

```

Do you want to add solvent to your system (Y/n) ?

```

Enter

```

Solvent (box) available:
  1: HOH      HOH  Water molecule
  2: MOH      MOH  Methanol molecule
  3: CHL      CHL  Chloroform molecule

```

2

```

Reading contents of solvent box p2abox.MOH

Box Shape options:
  1 Spherical box
  2 Cubic box
Make a choice:

```

1

```

Writing inputfile for chain  0

Using total charge  0.0 and total spin  0.0

Maximum atomic distance (Angs) from center  0.92
Give boxsize (def.:  15.00 Angs)

```

14.0

```

Using BOXSIZE value of 14.0000
Adding atoms for box 1 Added (Box): 84 (Total): 84 Excl. (1): 660 Excl.
↪ (2): 6
Adding atoms for box 2 Added (Box): 102 (Total): 186 Excl. (1): 642 Excl.
↪ (2): 6
Adding atoms for box 3 Added (Box): 102 (Total): 288 Excl. (1): 642 Excl.
↪ (2): 6
Adding atoms for box 4 Added (Box): 108 (Total): 396 Excl. (1): 642 Excl.
↪ (2): 0
Adding atoms for box 5 Added (Box): 120 (Total): 516 Excl. (1): 630 Excl.
↪ (2): 0
Adding atoms for box 6 Added (Box): 96 (Total): 612 Excl. (1): 654 Excl.
↪ (2): 0
Adding atoms for box 7 Added (Box): 108 (Total): 720 Excl. (1): 642 Excl.
↪ (2): 0
Adding atoms for box 8 Added (Box): 102 (Total): 822 Excl. (1): 642 Excl.
↪ (2): 6

Inputfile(s) written, everything processed, work has been done.
Thank you for using the PDB2ADF program.

=====
Normal ending of PDB2ADF program
=====

```

Contents of the hoh.pdb2adf file generated by pdb2adf

The file is not given completely, since it contains more than 800 atoms.

```

#!/bin/sh

$AMSBIN/ams << eor
System
  Charge 0.0
  Atoms
    O 2.4390 25.7950 11.6340 region=QM ForceField.Charge=-.834000 ↵
↪ForceField.Type=OW ! 1 HOH 1 O
    H 1.7160 26.2820 11.2390 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.417000 ↵
↪ForceField.Type=HW ! 2 HOH 1 H1
    H 3.1400 26.4400 11.7290 region=QM ForceField.Charge=.417000 ↵
↪ForceField.Type=HW ! 3 HOH 1 H2
    C -10.0667 22.2493 11.7437 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.116600 ↵
↪ForceField.Type=CT ! 4 MOH 1 C1
    H -10.2077 21.5053 10.9597 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.037200 ↵
↪ForceField.Type=H1 ! 5 MOH 1 HC1
    H -10.5047 21.8683 12.6667 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.037200 ↵
↪ForceField.Type=H1 ! 6 MOH 1 HC2
    H -10.5167 23.2103 11.4977 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.037200 ↵
↪ForceField.Type=H1 ! 7 MOH 1 HC3
    O -8.7387 22.3983 12.0617 region=MM ForceField.Charge=-.649700 ↵
↪ForceField.Type=OH ! 8 MOH 1 O1
    H -8.3007 22.6943 11.2607 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.421500 ↵
↪ForceField.Type=HO ! 9 MOH 1 HO1
    C -0.2827 19.0253 2.2847 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.116600 ↵
↪ForceField.Type=CT ! 10 MOH 2 C1

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H      -0.5357   18.2063   2.9567 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.037200  ⌋
↔ForceField.Type=H1  !    11 MOH    2 HC1
H      0.7633   19.2913   2.4407 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.037200  ⌋
↔ForceField.Type=H1  !    12 MOH    2 HC2
H     -0.9267   19.8753   2.5107 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.037200  ⌋
↔ForceField.Type=H1  !    13 MOH    2 HC3
O     -0.4997   18.6373   0.9467 region=MM ForceField.Charge=-.649700  ⌋
↔ForceField.Type=OH  !    14 MOH    2 O1
H      0.1123   17.9313   0.7287 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.421500  ⌋
↔ForceField.Type=HO  !    15 MOH    2 HO1
...
C      6.1721   28.5021   18.9485 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.116600  ⌋
↔ForceField.Type=CT  !   820 MOH   137 C1
H      7.1011   27.9431   18.8355 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.037200  ⌋
↔ForceField.Type=H1  !   821 MOH   137 HC1
H      6.3621   29.4771   19.3985 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.037200  ⌋
↔ForceField.Type=H1  !   822 MOH   137 HC2
H      5.4711   27.9401   19.5645 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.037200  ⌋
↔ForceField.Type=H1  !   823 MOH   137 HC3
O      5.5611   28.7181   17.7095 region=MM ForceField.Charge=-.649700  ⌋
↔ForceField.Type=OH  !   824 MOH   137 O1
H      5.2631   27.8621   17.3935 region=MM ForceField.Charge=.421500  ⌋
↔ForceField.Type=HO  !   825 MOH   137 HO1
End

BondOrders
    1      2 1.0
    1      3 1.0
    4      5 1.0
    4      6 1.0
    4      7 1.0
    4      8 1.0
    8      9 1.0
   10     11 1.0
   10     12 1.0
   10     13 1.0
   10     14 1.0
   14     15 1.0
...
   820    821 1.0
   820    822 1.0
   820    823 1.0
   820    824 1.0
   824    825 1.0

End
End

Task GeometryOptimization

GeometryOptimization
  MaxIterations 100
  Convergence Gradients=1e-3
End
Engine Hybrid
  QMMM QMRegion=QM QMEngineID=ADF MMEngineID=ForceField

Capping

```

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```
AtomicInfoForCappingAtom ForceField.Type=H1 ForceField.Charge=0.0
End
Engine ADF
  Title QM/MM calculation setup by pdb2adf: M.Swart et al., 2020
  Symmetry NOSYM

  Eprint
    SFO NOEIG NOOVL
  End

  XC
    GGA BP86
  End

  Basis
    type TZP
    core small
  End

  SCF
    diis ok=0.01
    Converge 1.0e-5 1.0e-5
    Iterations 99
  End
EndEngine
Engine ForceField
  Type Amber95
  ForceFieldFile $AMSHOME/atomicdata/ForceFields/amber95.ff
EndEngine
EndEngine
eor
```


EXAMPLES

Examples of the Hybrid engine are scattered over the examples directory. Here we pick a few.

We do not repeat here all functionality that is available from the AMS driver level, see the [AMS Examples](#).

4.1 Example: QMMM with various forcefields

Download `qmmm_water.run`

```
#!/bin/sh

# This example shows you how you can use the forcefield engine in a qmmm setup
# Both the regions and the atom typing and charges (if any) go via the AMS system block

# UFF
# ===

AMS_JOBNAME=uff $AMSBIN/ams <<eor

Task GeometryOptimization

System
  Atoms
    O -1.8782  0.0294 -0.7574  region=QM
    H -0.9986  0.2961 -0.3861  region=QM
    H -1.8623 -0.9560 -0.6510  region=QM
    O  0.0121 -1.3731  0.5074  region=MM
    H  0.8930 -1.7879  0.3172  region=MM
    H -0.5625 -2.1395  0.7656  region=MM
  End
End

Engine Hybrid
  QMMM qmRegion=QM qmEngineID=DFTB mmEngineID=ForceField

  Engine DFTB
    Model GFN1-xTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
    Type UFF
  EndEngine
EndEngine
```

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```

eor

# Amber
# =====

AMS_JOBNAME=amber $AMSBIN/ams <<eor

Task GeometryOptimization

System
  Atoms
    O -1.8782  0.0294 -0.7574  region=QM  ForceField.Charge=-0.8340  ForceField.
↪Type=OW
    H -0.9986  0.2961 -0.3861  region=QM  ForceField.Charge=0.4170  ForceField.
↪Type=HW
    H -1.8623 -0.9560 -0.6510  region=QM  ForceField.Charge=0.4170  ForceField.
↪Type=HW
    O  0.0121 -1.3731  0.5074  region=MM  ForceField.Charge=-0.8340  ForceField.
↪Type=OW
    H  0.8930 -1.7879  0.3172  region=MM  ForceField.Charge=0.4170  ForceField.
↪Type=HW
    H -0.5625 -2.1395  0.7656  region=MM  ForceField.Charge=0.4170  ForceField.
↪Type=HW
  End
  BondOrders
    1 2 1.0
    1 3 1.0
    4 5 1.0
    4 6 1.0
  End
End

Engine Hybrid
  QMMM qmRegion=QM qmEngineID=DFTB mmEngineID=ForceField

  Engine DFTB
    Model GFN1-xTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
    Type Amber95
    ForceFieldFile $AMSHOME/atomicdata/ForceFields/amber95.ff
  EndEngine
EndEngine
eor

# Tripos
# =====

AMS_JOBNAME=tripos $AMSBIN/ams <<eor

Task GeometryOptimization

System
  Atoms
    O -1.8782  0.0294 -0.7574  region=QM  ForceField.Charge=-0.8340  ForceField.
↪Type=O.3

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      H -0.9986  0.2961 -0.3861  region=QM  ForceField.Charge=0.4170  ForceField.
↪Type=H
      H -1.8623 -0.9560 -0.6510  region=QM  ForceField.Charge=0.4170  ForceField.
↪Type=H
      O  0.0121 -1.3731  0.5074  region=MM  ForceField.Charge=-0.8340  ForceField.
↪Type=O.3
      H  0.8930 -1.7879  0.3172  region=MM  ForceField.Charge=0.4170  ForceField.
↪Type=H
      H -0.5625 -2.1395  0.7656  region=MM  ForceField.Charge=0.4170  ForceField.
↪Type=H
    End
    BondOrders
      1 2 1.0
      1 3 1.0
      4 5 1.0
      4 6 1.0
    End
  End
End

Engine Hybrid
  QMMM qmRegion=QM qmEngineID=DFTB mmEngineID=ForceField

  Engine DFTB
    Model GFN1-xTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
    Type Tripos5.2
    ForceFieldFile $AMSRESOURCES/ForceFields/tripos5.2.ff
  EndEngine
EndEngine
eor

```

4.2 Example: Mechanical embedding QUILD

Download QUILD_water.run

```

#!/bin/sh

# This example shows you how you can use the forcefield with mechanical embedding

AMS_JOBNAME=uff $AMSBIN/ams <<eor

Task GeometryOptimization

System
  Atoms
    O -1.8782  0.0294 -0.7574  region=QM
    H -0.9986  0.2961 -0.3861  region=QM
    H -1.8623 -0.9560 -0.6510  region=QM
    O  0.0121 -1.3731  0.5074  region=MM
    H  0.8930 -1.7879  0.3172  region=MM
    H -0.5625 -2.1395  0.7656  region=MM

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```

End
End

Engine Hybrid

  Energy
    Term region=QM EngineId=DFTB      factor=1.0
    Term region=*  EngineId=ForceField factor=1.0
    Term region=QM EngineId=ForceField factor=-1.0
  End

  Engine DFTB
    Model GFN1-xTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
    Type UFF
  EndEngine
EndEngine
eor

```

4.3 Example: Hybrid engine with charged regions

Download `HybridWithCharges.run`

```

#!/bin/sh

# not needed, just slightly faster
export NSCM=1

report=report.txt

printf "Here we treat H3O+ as qm and OH- as the MM region (Optimizing without regions,
↳gives two H2O molecules)\n" > $report
printf "We do this with both mechanical and electrostatic embedding\n" >> $report
printf "\n%15s %10s %10s %10s\n" "embedding" "charge" "d(O-O)" "charges" >> $report

for charge in 0.0 1.0
do

if [ "$charge" = "0.0" ]; then
chargeOinOHm=0.0
chargeHinOHm=0.0
chargeOinH3Op=0.0
chargeHinH3Op=0.0
else
chargeOinOHm=-1.123
chargeHinOHm=0.123
chargeOinH3Op=-0.5
chargeHinH3Op=0.5
fi

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export AMS_JOBNAME=quild.charge=$charge

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

"$AMSBIN/ams" << eor

Task GeometryOptimization

Properties Charges=yes

GeometryOptimization
  Convergence Gradients=1.0e-6
End

System
  Atoms
    O -1.527946410885647 -0.2107366711137158 -0.0008116899510243671 region=QM
↪ForceField.Charge=$chargeOinH3Op
    H -0.8459142126057956 0.3517312394359257 0.4094504676540848 region=QM
↪ForceField.Charge=$chargeHinH3Op
    H -1.834953147575289 0.1051014241823828 -0.8704652381864062 region=QM
↪ForceField.Charge=$chargeHinH3Op
    H -1.328032016244278 -1.164422847242489 0.02894848344144469 region=QM
↪ForceField.Charge=$chargeHinH3Op
    O 0.6370858511871781 -0.3378071707560572 -0.0006181020627287671 region=MM
↪ForceField.Charge=$chargeOinOHm
    H 1.318474396634582 0.2241299231185073 0.4092568796869673 region=MM
↪ForceField.Charge=$chargeHinOHm
  End
  GuessBonds True
End

Engine Hybrid
  Energy
    Term Factor=1.0 Region=* EngineID=ForceField
    Term Factor=-1.0 Region=QM EngineID=ForceField Charge=$charge
    Term Factor=1.0 Region=QM EngineID=DFTB Charge=$charge
  End

  Engine DFTB
    Model GFN1-xTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
  EndEngine
EndEngine

eor

ddd=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#1#5`
eee=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -k AMSResults%Charges#5.3f`

printf "%15s %10s %10s %10s %10s %10s %10s %10s %10s\n" "mechanical" $charge $ddd
↪$eee >> $report

export AMS_JOBNAME=qmmm.charge=$charge

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```

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

"$AMSBIN/ams" << eor

Properties Charges=yes

Task GeometryOptimization

GeometryOptimization
  Convergence Gradients=1.0e-6
End

System
  Atoms
    O -1.527946410885647 -0.2107366711137158 -0.0008116899510243671 region=QM
↪ForceField.Charge=$chargeOinH3Op
    H -0.8459142126057956 0.3517312394359257 0.4094504676540848 region=QM
↪ForceField.Charge=$chargeHinH3Op
    H -1.834953147575289 0.1051014241823828 -0.8704652381864062 region=QM
↪ForceField.Charge=$chargeHinH3Op
    H -1.328032016244278 -1.164422847242489 0.02894848344144469 region=QM
↪ForceField.Charge=$chargeHinH3Op
    O 0.6370858511871781 -0.3378071707560572 -0.0006181020627287671 region=MM
↪ForceField.Charge=$chargeOinOHm
    H 1.318474396634582 0.2241299231185073 0.4092568796869673 region=MM
↪ForceField.Charge=$chargeHinOHm
  End
  GuessBonds True
End

Engine Hybrid
  QMMM QMRegion=QM QMEngineID=DFTB MMEngineID=ForceField QMCharge=$charge MMCharge=-
↪$charge

  Engine DFTB
    Model GFN1-xTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
  EndEngine
EndEngine

eor

ddd=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#1#5`
eee=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -k AMSResults%Charges#5.3f`

printf "%15s %10s %10s %10s %10s %10s %10s %10s %10s\n" "electrostatic" $charge
↪$ddd $eee >> $report

done

printf "\n* Using charges shortens the O-O distance\n" >> $report
printf "* In this case the results (mechanical vs. electrostatic) are quite similar,
↪as apparently the OH does not polarize the QM region much\n" >> $report

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echo "start of report"
cat $report
echo "end of report"

report=report2.txt

printf "\nNow we add an extra OH- to the mm region and get a total charge of -1\n" >
↪$report
printf "We do this with mechanical and electrostatic embedding\n" >> $report
printf "We look at two distances: d(O1-O5) and d(O1-O7) \n" >> $report
printf "Atom O1 is in the H3O+ and atoms O5 and O7 are in the two OH- molecules\n" >>
↪$report
printf "\n%15s %15s %10s %10s %10s %10s\n" "embedding" "optim" "d(1-5)" "d(1-7)"
↪"energy" >> $report

charge=1.0
chargeOinOHm=-1.123
chargeHinOHm=0.123
chargeOinH3Op=-0.5
chargeHinH3Op=0.5

for embedding in mechanical electrostatic
do

for optim in FIRE # Quasi-Newton
do

export AMS_JOBNAME=embedding=$embedding.optim=$optim

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

"$AMSBIN/ams" << eor

Task GeometryOptimization

Properties Charges=yes

GeometryOptimization
  Method $optim
  MaxIterations 3000
  Convergence Gradients=1.0e-6
End

System
  Atoms
    O 0.9019652567984636 -1.133079116834755 0.01338426553857459 region=QM ↪
↪ForceField.Charge=$chargeOinH3Op
    H 0.1122251167578682 -1.036551903399635 0.5668491423154995 region=QM ↪
↪ForceField.Charge=$chargeHinH3Op
    H 1.037136681303829 -0.2320347366030556 -0.3773644469587724 region=QM ↪
↪ForceField.Charge=$chargeHinH3Op

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      H 1.678241221654873 -1.266912785246295 0.5779953693196539 region=QM
↔ForceField.Charge=$chargeHinH3Op
      O -1.130580450693341 0.6009421414132099 -0.02453852439122078 region=MM
↔ForceField.Charge=$chargeOinOHm
      H -1.671378074377012 1.410809444490273 -0.2141830902463049 region=MM
↔ForceField.Charge=$chargeHinOHm
      O 3.346891191122751 -0.05485781804516161 0.01059240308504993 region=MM
↔ForceField.Charge=$chargeOinOHm
      H 4.099773764135065 0.5660034244354222 -0.1683355405307263 region=MM
↔ForceField.Charge=$chargeHinOHm
    End
    BondOrders
      1 3 1.0
      1 4 1.0
      2 1 1.0
      5 6 1.0
      7 8 1.0
    End
    Charge -1.0
End

Engine Hybrid

      QMMM qmRegion=QM qmCharge=1.0 mmCharge=-2.0 qmEngineID=dftb mmEngineID=forcefield
↔Embedding=$embedding

      Engine DFTB
        Model GFN1-xTB
      EndEngine

      Engine ForceField
      EndEngine
EndEngine

eor

d15=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#1#5`
d17=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#1#7`
eee=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -k "AMSResults%Energy"`

printf "%15s %15s %10s %10s %10.4f\n" $embedding $optim $d15 $d17 $eee >> $report

done
done

printf "\n* Very flat PES as function of these two distances\n" >> $report
printf "\n* Electrostatic embedding gives a bit shorter distances\n" >> $report

echo "start of report"
cat $report
echo "end of report"

```


4.4 Example: Loading MM charges for regions

In this example we consider an OH⁻ with an H₃O⁺ fragment. As the charges on the fragments are kept fixed, the formation of two water molecules is avoided.

First we “estimate” the charges for the two fragments with a DFTB calculation.

These charges are then loaded for the correct regions in the total system. Observe that this is done in the System block, see the System definition section of the AMS manual.

We do this first for a QUILD-like setup (mechanical embedding), and next for a QMMM calculation with electrostatic coupling.

Download LoadCharges.run

```
#!/bin/sh

# Here we treat H3O+ as qm and OH- as the MM region (Optimizing without regions gives
↳two H2O molecules)
# We do this with a QUILD setup (mechanical embedding) and electrostatic embedding
↳(QMMM)
# We obtain the charges from a DFTB calculation
# In this case the results (QUILD vs. QMMM) are quite similar as apparently the OH
↳does not polarize the QM region much

report=report.txt

echo "method distance charges" > $report

# first we do two DFTB calculations on the two fragments

export AMS_JOBNAME=H2O+.dftb

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

"$AMSBIN/ams" << eor

Task SinglePoint

Properties Charges=yes

GeometryOptimization
  Convergence Gradients=1.0e-6
End

System
  Atoms
    O -1.527946410885647 -0.2107366711137158 -0.0008116899510243671
    H -0.8459142126057956 0.3517312394359257 0.4094504676540848
    H -1.834953147575289 0.1051014241823828 -0.8704652381864062
    H -1.328032016244278 -1.164422847242489 0.02894848344144469
  End
  Charge 1.0
  GuessBonds True
End

Engine DFTB
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EndEngine

eor

export AMS_JOBNAME=OH-.dftb

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

"$AMSBIN/ams" << eor

Task SinglePoint

Properties Charges=yes

GeometryOptimization
  Convergence Gradients=1.0e-6
End

System
  Atoms
    O 0.6370858511871781 -0.3378071707560572 -0.0006181020627287671
    H 1.318474396634582 0.2241299231185073 0.4092568796869673
  End
  Charge -1.0
  GuessBonds True
End

Engine DFTB
EndEngine

eor

# Now we run it in a QUILD-like setup (mechanical embedding)

export AMS_JOBNAME=quild

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

"$AMSBIN/ams" << eor

Task GeometryOptimization

Properties Charges=yes

GeometryOptimization
  Convergence Gradients=1.0e-6
End

System
  Atoms
    O -1.527946410885647 -0.2107366711137158 -0.0008116899510243671 region=QM
    H -0.8459142126057956 0.3517312394359257 0.4094504676540848 region=QM
    H -1.834953147575289 0.1051014241823828 -0.8704652381864062 region=QM
    H -1.328032016244278 -1.164422847242489 0.02894848344144469 region=QM
    O 0.6370858511871781 -0.3378071707560572 -0.0006181020627287671 region=MM
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      H 1.318474396634582 0.2241299231185073 0.4092568796869673      region=MM
End
GuessBonds True

LoadForceFieldCharges region=QM file=H2O+.dftb.results
LoadForceFieldCharges region=MM file=OH-.dftb.results
End

Engine Hybrid
  Energy
    Term Factor=1.0 Region=* EngineID=ForceField
    Term Factor=-1.0 Region=QM EngineID=ForceField Charge=1.0
    Term Factor=1.0 Region=QM EngineID=DFTB Charge=1.0
  End

  Engine DFTB
    Model GFN1-xTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
  EndEngine
EndEngine

eor

ddd=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#1#5`
eee=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -k AMSResults%Charges#5.3f`

echo "quild $charge $ddd $eee" >> $report

# Now we run it in a QMMM-like setup

export AMS_JOBNAME=qmmm

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

"$AMSBIN/ams" << eor

Properties Charges=yes

Task GeometryOptimization

GeometryOptimization
  Convergence Gradients=1.0e-6
End

System
  Atoms
    O -1.527946410885647 -0.2107366711137158 -0.0008116899510243671 region=QM
    H -0.8459142126057956 0.3517312394359257 0.4094504676540848 region=QM
    H -1.834953147575289 0.1051014241823828 -0.8704652381864062 region=QM
    H -1.328032016244278 -1.164422847242489 0.02894848344144469 region=QM
    O 0.6370858511871781 -0.3378071707560572 -0.0006181020627287671 region=MM
    H 1.318474396634582 0.2241299231185073 0.4092568796869673 region=MM
  End

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```

GuessBonds True

LoadForceFieldCharges region=QM file=H2O+.dftb.results
LoadForceFieldCharges region=MM file=OH-.dftb.results
End

Engine Hybrid
  QMMM QMRegion=QM QMEngineID=DFTB MMEngineID=ForceField QMCharge=1.0 MMCharge=-1.0

  Engine DFTB
    Model GFN1-xTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
  EndEngine
EndEngine

eor

ddd=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#1#5`
eee=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -k AMSResults%Charges#5.3f`

echo "qmmm   $charge $ddd $eee" >> $report

echo "start of report"
cat $report
echo "end of report"

```

4.5 Example: Molecular gun with the hybrid engine

In this example we are going to really stretch the use of the Hybrid Engine, and shoot bullets (treated with a QM engine) at a surface described at the MM level.

The choice of bullets are HF molecules and the target is a two dimensional BN sheet, that looks like a graphene sheet, with half of the C atoms turned into N and the other half into B atoms. In a BN sheet the atoms have of course a small charge, which we pre calculate with a QM engine (DFTB).

It is important to understand the role of bonds in this example, because the number of atoms is not constant during the simulations, as bullets are fired (and hence appear), ricochet off the surface and hence disappear after a while. They may as well stick to, or penetrate into the surface, but this is beyond the hybrid engine concept.

In this example there are fixed bond orders within the target and within the bullets. This is because we specify `GuessBonds` in the two system blocks (target and bullet). When a bullet is added its bonds are automatically added. The hybrid engine itself will never guess bonds and always use what is specified on input. No bonds are ever formed between the bullet and the surface (the QM and MM regions).

Download `HybridGun.run`

```

#!/bin/sh

# In this example we use the hybrid engine in a molecular gun MD application,
↪ shooting HF molecules at a BN surface

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```
# The BN slab represents the MM region and the "bullets" are the QM region
# The regions are defined in the xyz files using end of line strings (atom attributes)

# First we do two dftb calculations to get a guess of the charges to be used by the_
→force field.

STRUCTDIR=$AMSHOME/examples/Hybrid/HybridGun/molecules

export AMS_JOBNAME=BNSlab.dftb

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams << eor

Task SinglePoint

System
  GeometryFile $STRUCTDIR/BNSlab.xyz
End

Engine DFTB
EndEngine

eor

export AMS_JOBNAME=HF.dftb

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams << eor

Task SinglePoint

System
  GeometryFile $STRUCTDIR/HF.xyz
End

Engine DFTB
EndEngine

eor

# now we can run our MD simulation using both mechanical and electrostatic embedding

for embedding in mechanical electrostatic
do

# because electrostatic embedding is more expensive we limit here the number of steps

steps=1400

if [ $embedding = electrostatic ]
then
  steps=300
fi
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```
export AMS_JOBNAME=SinkBox.embedding=$embedding
rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams << eor

Task MolecularDynamics

System
  GeometryFile $STRUCTDIR/BNSlab.xyz
  GuessBonds true
  LoadForceFieldCharges file=BNSlab.dftb.results
End

System H2
  GeometryFile $STRUCTDIR/HF.xyz
  GuessBonds true
  LoadForceFieldCharges file=HF.dftb.results
End

RNGSeed -1341016088 83513668 1764626453 -87803069 -1149690266 1963370818 -1393571175_
→1985130742

MolecularDynamics
  NSteps $steps

  Trajectory
    SamplingFreq 20
  End

  InitialVelocities
    Temperature 300
  End

  AddMolecules
    System H2
    Frequency 159
    CoordsBox 0 3 0 8.57 6 7
    VelocityDirection 0.45752820 0 -0.5540656
    Velocity 0.07
    Rotate Yes
    MinDistance 3.0
  End

  Preserve
    Momentum No
    AngularMomentum No
  End

  RemoveMolecules
    Formula *
    Frequency 101
    SinkBox FractionalCoordsBox="0 1 0 1 8 1000"
  End
End

Constraints
```

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```

Atom 1
End

Engine Hybrid
  QMMM qmRegion=qm mmEngineID=ForceField qmEngineID=dftb embedding=$embedding

  Engine dftb
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
    NonBondedCutoff 50 [Bohr]
  EndEngine
EndEngine

eor
done

```

4.6 Example: The effect of specifying atom types, or not

Whether or not you specify the ForceField.Type on input (via atom attributes) makes a difference for the hybrid engine using a ForceField sub engine.

If you do, then for all regions these atom types will be used.

If you do not specify them, then for each region independently the atom typing will done automatically (if possible).

Download `AtomAttributes.run`

```

#!/bin/bash

export NSCM=1

# Here we show the role played by the (ForceField.Type) atom attribute

# on purpose we specify a strange type for the carbon atoms "C_2" (nonsensical for
↳any of the regions)

# we also show that capitalization does not matter for the keys ForceField.Charge and
↳Type.
# For the values, such as C_R the case matters

# In the first run we specify in the input ForceField.Type
# The result is that for all regions this will be used, and the type for C is always
↳C-2
# -----
# region mol. C-type
# -----
# MM      CH3   C_2
# *       C2H6  C_2
# QM      CH4   C_2
# -----

```

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```

export AMS_JOBNAME=type=inp.cap=none

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams <<eor

Task GeometryOptimization

Properties Gradients=yes

System
  Atoms
    C -1.559601 -1.234340  0.000641 region=QM forcefield.charge=-0.27 forcefield.
↪type=C_2
    H -1.898371 -0.303860  0.503021 region=QM ForceField.Charge=0.09 ForceField.
↪Type=H_
    H -2.034545 -2.108050  0.494609 region=QM ForceField.Charge=0.09 ForceField.
↪Type=H_
    H -1.869847 -1.205955 -1.065139 region=QM ForceField.Charge=0.09 ForceField.
↪Type=H_
    C -0.047661 -1.348892  0.094039 region=MM ForceField.Charge=-0.27 ForceField.
↪Type=C_2
    H  0.427282 -0.475182 -0.399929 region=MM ForceField.Charge=0.09 ForceField.
↪Type=H_
    H  0.291107 -2.279373 -0.408341 region=MM ForceField.Charge=0.09 ForceField.
↪Type=H_
    H  0.262583 -1.377277  1.159819 region=MM ForceField.Charge=0.09 ForceField.
↪Type=H_
  End
  GuessBonds True
End

Engine Hybrid
  QMMM qmRegion=QM qmEngineID=DFTB mmEngineID=ForceField

  Engine DFTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
  EndEngine

EndEngine

eor

# Not specifying the types, they will be guessed independently for all regions

# -----
# region mol.  C-type
# -----
# MM      CH3   C_R
# *       C2H6  C_3
# QM      CH4   C_3
#-----

export AMS_JOBNAME=type=none.cap=none

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```

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams <<eor

Task GeometryOptimization

Properties Gradients=yes

System
  Atoms
    C -1.559601 -1.234340  0.000641 region=QM forcefield.charge=-0.27
    H -1.898371 -0.303860  0.503021 region=QM ForceField.Charge=0.09
    H -2.034545 -2.108050  0.494609 region=QM ForceField.Charge=0.09
    H -1.869847 -1.205955 -1.065139 region=QM ForceField.Charge=0.09
    C -0.047661 -1.348892  0.094039 region=MM ForceField.Charge=-0.27
    H  0.427282 -0.475182 -0.399929 region=MM ForceField.Charge=0.09
    H  0.291107 -2.279373 -0.408341 region=MM ForceField.Charge=0.09
    H  0.262583 -1.377277  1.159819 region=MM ForceField.Charge=0.09
  End
  GuessBonds True
End

Engine Hybrid
  QMMM qmRegion=QM qmEngineID=DFTB mmEngineID=ForceField

  Engine DFTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
  EndEngine

EndEngine

eor

# The last two runs are mostly a technical test
# We change the capping setup, but that influences only the capping atom

export AMS_JOBNAME=type=inp.cap=inp

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams <<eor

Task GeometryOptimization

Properties Gradients=yes

System
  Atoms
    C -1.559601 -1.234340  0.000641 region=QM forcefield.charge=-0.27 forcefield.
↪type=C_2
    H -1.898371 -0.303860  0.503021 region=QM ForceField.Charge=0.09 ForceField.
↪Type=H_

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      H -2.034545 -2.108050  0.494609 region=QM ForceField.Charge=0.09 ForceField.
↪Type=H_
      H -1.869847 -1.205955 -1.065139 region=QM ForceField.Charge=0.09 ForceField.
↪Type=H_
      C -0.047661 -1.348892  0.094039 region=MM ForceField.Charge=-0.27 ForceField.
↪Type=C_2
      H  0.427282 -0.475182 -0.399929 region=MM ForceField.Charge=0.09 ForceField.
↪Type=H_
      H  0.291107 -2.279373 -0.408341 region=MM ForceField.Charge=0.09 ForceField.
↪Type=H_
      H  0.262583 -1.377277  1.159819 region=MM ForceField.Charge=0.09 ForceField.
↪Type=H_
      End
      GuessBonds True
End

Engine Hybrid
  QMMM qmRegion=QM qmEngineID=DFTB mmEngineID=ForceField

  Engine DFTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
  EndEngine

  Capping
  CappingElement Li
  AtomicInfoForCappingAtom ForceField.Type=Li
  End

EndEngine

eor

export AMS_JOBNAME=type=none.cap=inp

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams <<eor

Task GeometryOptimization

Properties Gradients=yes

System
  Atoms
    C -1.559601 -1.234340  0.000641 region=QM forcefield.charge=-0.27
    H -1.898371 -0.303860  0.503021 region=QM ForceField.Charge=0.09
    H -2.034545 -2.108050  0.494609 region=QM ForceField.Charge=0.09
    H -1.869847 -1.205955 -1.065139 region=QM ForceField.Charge=0.09
    C -0.047661 -1.348892  0.094039 region=MM ForceField.Charge=-0.27
    H  0.427282 -0.475182 -0.399929 region=MM ForceField.Charge=0.09
    H  0.291107 -2.279373 -0.408341 region=MM ForceField.Charge=0.09
    H  0.262583 -1.377277  1.159819 region=MM ForceField.Charge=0.09
  End
  GuessBonds True

```

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```
End

Engine Hybrid
  QMMM qmRegion=QM qmEngineID=DFTB mmEngineID=ForceField

  Engine DFTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
  EndEngine

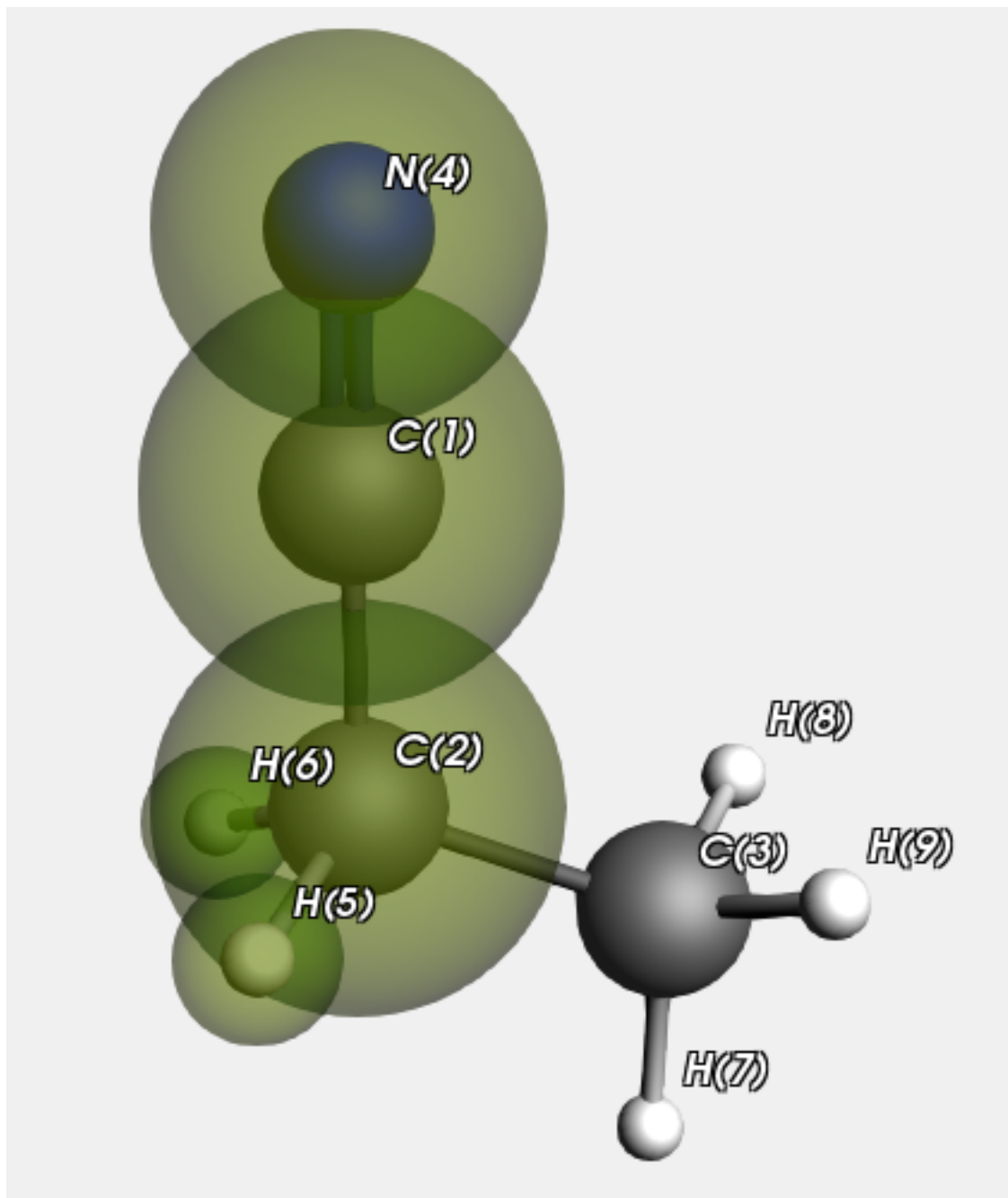
  Capping
  CappingElement Li
  AtomicInfoForCappingAtom ForceField.Type=Li
  End

EndEngine

eor
```

4.7 Example: The role of specifying the atom types

Now we look at a Propanenitrile molecule, the QM region is highlighted.



We run this with and without specifying the atom types on input. In principle this makes a difference for the MM type for atom “C(3)” in the MM sub calculation on atoms 3,7,8, and 9. If specified it will be C_3 (as it is in the whole Propanenitrile molecule), but if not it will be guessed as C_R. In practice there is no effect for this calculation.

Let us have a look at the report generated by the example, that pretty much explains what is done

Download report Propanenitrile.txt

```
We first check how bad the MM method is compared to the QM method for some distances_
->in the QM region
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Here are the distances (Angstrom) as obtained with a QM and an MM method

distance	qm	mm	err(mm)
C(1)-C(2)	1.456	1.467	0.011
C(1)-N(4)	1.147	1.157	0.010
C(2)-H(5)	1.095	1.110	0.015

Can we get better results for the QM region with the hybrid engine?

Even though UFF has automatic atom typing, it still matters (in principle) whether we

→ specify it on input or not

- * Without typing for each region the types are automatically guessed
- * With typing the types are always as on input (for all regions)

The only difference is in the C type for the MM region.

Here are the distances (Angstrom) as obtained with a QM and an Hybrid method without

→ explicit typing

distance	qm	hybrid	err(hybrid)
C(1)-C(2)	1.456	1.456	0.000
C(1)-N(4)	1.147	1.147	0.000
C(2)-H(5)	1.095	1.092	-0.003

Here are the distances (Angstrom) as obtained with a QM and an Hybrid method with

→ explicit typing

distance	qm	hybrid	err(hybrid)
C(1)-C(2)	1.456	1.456	0.000
C(1)-N(4)	1.147	1.147	0.000
C(2)-H(5)	1.095	1.092	-0.003

Here are some observations for this example

- * The hybrid engine does better than pure MM
- * The subtle issue whether or not we specify the types has negligible effect.

Download Propanenitrile.run

```
#!/bin/sh
export NSCM=1

for engine in dftb forcefield
do
export AMS_JOBNAME=$engine

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

"$AMSBIN/ams" << eor

Task GeometryOptimization

System
  Atoms
    C -0.02116 1.01286 0.0 region=qm
    C 0.01258 -0.45034 0.0 region=qm
    C 1.44394 -1.0175 0.0
    N -0.03362 2.17616 0.0 region=qm
```

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```

H -0.54281 -0.80179 0.88302 region=qm
H -0.54281 -0.80179 -0.88302 region=qm
H 1.40659 -2.11445 0.0
H 1.99584 -0.68766 -0.88907
H 1.99584 -0.68766 0.88907
End
GuessBonds true
End

Engine $engine
EndEngine
eor

done

report=report.txt

printf "\nWe first check how bad the MM method is compared to the QM method for some_
↳distances in the QM region\n" > $report

bond1="C(1)-C(2) "
bond2="C(1)-N(4) "
bond3="C(2)-H(5) "
bond4="C(2)-C(3) "

aaalqm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport dftb.results/dftb.rkf -r distance#1#2`
bbblqm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport dftb.results/dftb.rkf -r distance#1#4`
ccclqm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport dftb.results/dftb.rkf -r distance#2#5`
dddlqm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport dftb.results/dftb.rkf -r distance#2#3`

aaalmm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport forcefield.results/forcefield.rkf -r distance#1#2`
bbblmm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport forcefield.results/forcefield.rkf -r distance#1#4`
ccclmm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport forcefield.results/forcefield.rkf -r distance#2#5`
dddlmm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport forcefield.results/forcefield.rkf -r distance#2#3`

errmma=`echo "$aaalmm- $aaalqm" | bc`
errmmb=`echo "$bbblmm- $bbblqm" | bc`
errmmc=`echo "$ccclmm- $ccclqm" | bc`
errmmd=`echo "$dddlmm- $dddlqm" | bc`

printf "\nHere are the distances (Angstrom) as obtained with a QM and an MM method\n"
↳>> $report
printf "%10s %10s %10s %10s\n" "distance" "qm" "mm" "err(mm)">> $report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f %10.3f\n" $bond1 $aaalqm $aaalmm $errmma >> $report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f %10.3f\n" $bond2 $bbblqm $bbblmm $errmmb >> $report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f %10.3f\n" $bond3 $ccclqm $ccclmm $errmmc >> $report

printf "\nCan we get better results for the QM region with the hybrid engine?\n" >>
↳$report

printf "\nEven though UFF has automatic atom typing, it still matters (in principle)_
↳whether we specify it on input or not\n" >> $report

printf " * Without typing for each region the types are automatically guessed\n" >>
↳$report

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```

printf " * With typing the types are always as on input (for all regions)\n" >>
↪$report
printf "\nThe only difference is in the C type for the MM region.\n" >>$report

export AMS_JOBNAME=hybrid.types=no

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

"$AMSBIN/ams" << eor

Task GeometryOptimization

System
  Atoms
    C -0.02116 1.01286 0.0 region=qm
    C 0.01258 -0.45034 0.0 region=qm
    C 1.44394 -1.0175 0.0
    N -0.03362 2.17616 0.0 region=qm
    H -0.54281 -0.80179 0.88302 region=qm
    H -0.54281 -0.80179 -0.88302 region=qm
    H 1.40659 -2.11445 0.0
    H 1.99584 -0.68766 -0.88907
    H 1.99584 -0.68766 0.88907
  End
  GuessBonds true
End

Engine Hybrid
  QMMM qmRegion=qm qmEngineID=dftb mmEngineID=forcefield

  Engine DFTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
  EndEngine

EndEngine

eor

aaalhybrid=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#1#2`
bbblhybrid=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#1#4`
ccclhybrid=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#2#5`
dddlhybrid=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#2#3`

errhybrida=`echo "$aaalhybrid- $aaalqm" | bc`
errhybridb=`echo "$bbblhybrid- $bbblqm" | bc`
errhybridc=`echo "$ccclhybrid- $ccclqm" | bc`
errhybridd=`echo "$dddlhybrid- $dddlqm" | bc`

printf "\nHere are the distances (Angstrom) as obtained with a QM and an Hybrid_
↪method without explicit typing\n" >> $report
printf "%10s %10s %10s %10s\n" "distance" "qm" "hybrid" "err(hybrid)">> $report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f %10.3f\n" $bondl $aaalqm $aaalhybrid $errhybrida >>
↪$report

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printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f %10.3f\n"  $bond2  $bbblqm $bbblhybrid $errhybridb >>
↪$report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f %10.3f\n"  $bond3  $ccclqm $ccclhybrid $errhybridc >>
↪$report

export AMS_JOBNAME=hybrid.types=yes

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

"$AMSBIN/ams" << eor

Task GeometryOptimization

System
  Atoms
    C -0.02116 1.01286 0.0          region=qm
    C 0.01258 -0.45034 0.0          region=qm
    C 1.44394 -1.0175 0.0           region=mm
    N -0.03362 2.17616 0.0          region=qm
    H -0.54281 -0.80179 0.88302     region=qm
    H -0.54281 -0.80179 -0.88302    region=qm
    H 1.40659 -2.11445 0.0          region=mm
    H 1.99584 -0.68766 -0.88907     region=mm
    H 1.99584 -0.68766 0.88907      region=mm
  End
  GuessBonds true
  LoadForceFieldAtomTypes File=forcefield.results
End

Engine Hybrid
  QMMM qmRegion=qm qmEngineID=dftb mmEngineID=forcefield

  Engine DFTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
  EndEngine

EndEngine

eor

aaalhybrid=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#1#2`
bbblhybrid=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#1#4`
ccclhybrid=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#2#5`
dddlhybrid=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#2#3`

errhybrida=`echo "$aaalhybrid- $aaalqm" | bc`
errhybridb=`echo "$bbblhybrid- $bbblqm" | bc`
errhybridc=`echo "$ccclhybrid- $ccclqm" | bc`
errhybridd=`echo "$dddlhybrid- $dddlqm" | bc`

printf "\nHere are the distances (Angstrom) as obtained with a QM and an Hybrid_
↪method with explicit typing\n" >> $report
printf "%10s %10s %10s %10s\n"  "distance" "qm" "hybrid" "err(hybrid)">> $report

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```

printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f %10.3f\n"  $bond1  $aaalqm $aaalhybrid $errhybrida >>
↪$report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f %10.3f\n"  $bond2  $bbblqm $bbblhybrid $errhybridb >>
↪$report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f %10.3f\n"  $bond3  $ccclqm $ccclhybrid $errhybridc >>
↪$report

printf "\nHere are some observations for this example\n" >>$report
printf "      * The hybrid engine does better than pure MM\n" >>$report
printf "      * The subtle issue whether or not we specify the types has negligible_
↪effect.\n" >>$report

echo "begin report"
cat $report
echo "end report"

```

4.8 Example: Mixing DFT functionals

We consider a system of two weakly bonded molecules, namely NH₃ and N₂. We will use a GGA for the intra molecular interactions and LDA for the intermolecular one.

We look at two bond lengths, an N-H bond within the NH₃ molecule, this is the “intra” bond.

The other is the bond from the N in NH₃ to an N atom in the N₂ molecule: the “inter” bond.

First we run the whole system with LDA and GGA, and finally with the hybrid engine.

The result for the hybrid calculation is that the “inter” bond has the value of the GGA calculation, whereas the “intra” one is equal to the LDA calculated one.

The energy expression used in the hybrid calculation is

$$E^{\text{hybrid}} = E^{\text{LDA}*} + E^{\text{GGA}/\text{NH}_3} - E^{\text{LDA}/\text{NH}_3} + E^{\text{GGA}/\text{N}_2} - E^{\text{LDA}/\text{N}_2}$$

Remember that the region * indicates the whole system, i.e. NH₃ + N₂.

Download `MixingDFTFunctionals.run`

```

#!/bin/sh

interal=1
intera2=5

intraal=5
intraa2=6

report=adf.report

echo "We compare for two weakly coupled systems an inter and intra bond length" >
↪$report
echo "using several methods" >> $report
echo "" >> $report
echo "method    d-inter    d-intra" >> $report

bas=TZP

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```
system=AmmoniaN2

export AMS_JOBNAME=$system.lda

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams<<EOF

Task GeometryOptimization

GeometryOptimization
  Convergence Gradients=1e-5
end

System
  Atoms
    N      -1.57871800    -0.04661100    0.00000000  region=one
    H      -2.15862100    0.13639600   -0.80956500  region=one
    H      -2.15862100    0.13639600    0.80956500  region=one
    H      -0.84947100    0.65819300    0.00000000  region=one
    N      1.57871800     0.04661100    0.00000000  region=two
    N      1.03629999    -1.31580113   -0.10254699  region=two
  End
  GuessBonds True
end

Engine adf
  Basis Type=$bas
EndEngine

EOF

dInter=~$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/adf.rkf -r distance#$interal#$intera2`
dIntra=~$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/adf.rkf -r distance#$intraal#$intraa2`

echo "lda    $dInter $dIntra" >> $report

export AMS_JOBNAME=$system.gga

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams<<EOF

Task GeometryOptimization

GeometryOptimization
  Convergence Gradients=1e-5
end

LoadSystem
  File $system.lda.results/adf.rkf
End
```

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```

Engine adf
  xc gga=pbe
  Basis Type=$bas
EndEngine

EOF

dInter=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/adf.rkf -r distance#$interal#$intera2`
dIntra=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/adf.rkf -r distance#$intraal#$intraa2`

echo "gga    $dInter $dIntra" >> $report

export AMS_JOBNAME=$system.hybrid

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams<<EOF

Task GeometryOptimization

GeometryOptimization
  Convergence Gradients=1e-5
end

LoadSystem
  File $system.lda.results/adf.rkf
End

Engine Hybrid
  Energy
    Term Factor=1.0   Region=*     EngineID=adf-lda
    Term Factor=-1.0  Region=one   EngineID=adf-lda
    Term Factor=1.0   Region=one   EngineID=adf-gga
    Term Factor=-1.0  Region=two   EngineID=adf-lda
    Term Factor=1.0   Region=two   EngineID=adf-gga
  End

  Engine adf adf-lda
    Basis Type=$bas
  EndEngine

  Engine adf adf-gga
    xc gga=pbe
    Basis Type=$bas
  EndEngine

EndEngine

EOF

dInter=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#$interal#
↪$intera2`
dIntra=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#$intraal#
↪$intraa2`

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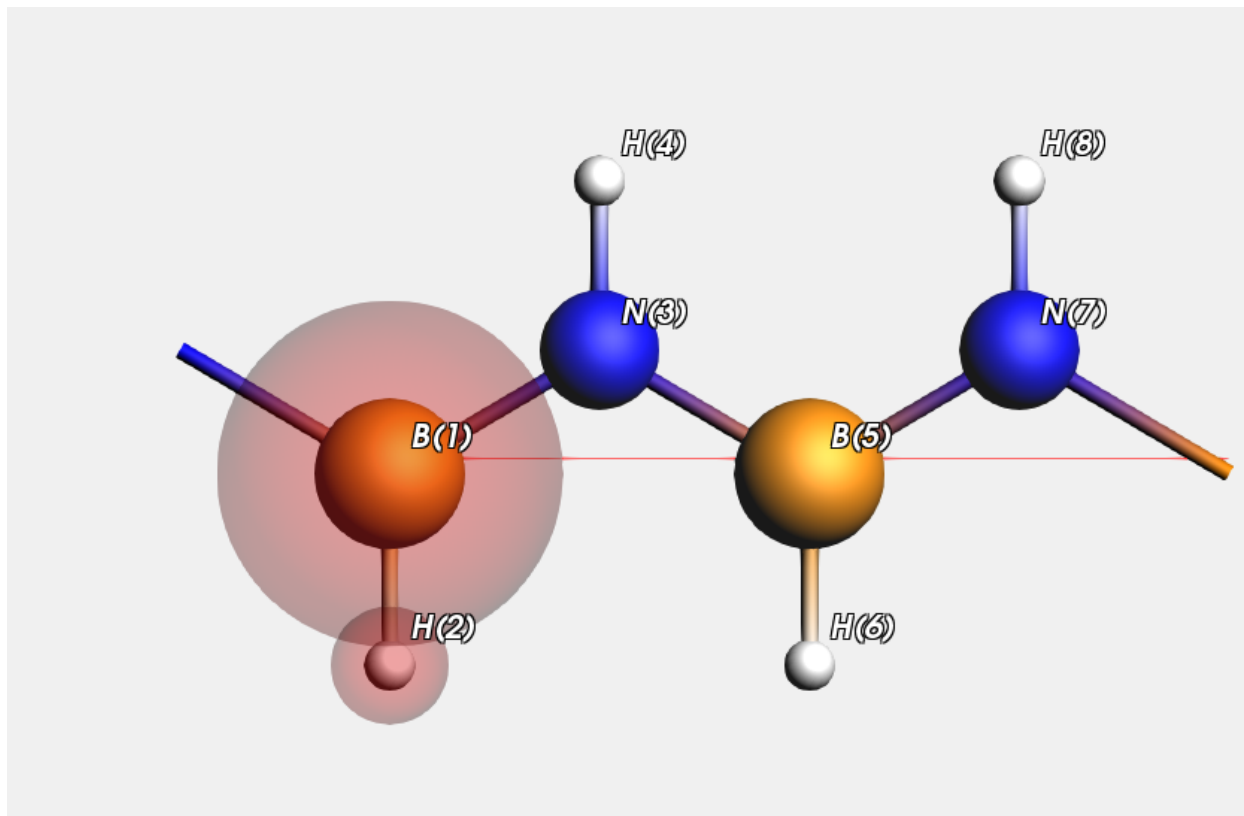
```

echo "hybrid $dInter $dIntra" >> $report
echo "start of report"
cat $report
echo "end of report"

```

4.9 Example: Using capping atoms in a periodic system

Here we look at a polyethylene-like (infinite) chain, the carbons being alternatingly substituted with B and N atoms.



We will use a bunch of different QM systems in a QMMM setup, and check what happens. Inevitably we need to break B-N bonds, and hence capping atoms are used. (In the picture the QM region according to variant one is shown.) We also show the results obtained for the system with the pure QM and MM methods.

Let us have a look at the report generated by the example, that pretty much explains what is done

Download [report PeriodicCapping.txt](#)

```
We optimize the lattice and test several distances
```

```
The system can be cut in several variations into a a QM and an MM part breaking a B-N
↔bond
```

```

variation          QM atoms
  var1             B(1),H(2)

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```

var2          B(5),H(6)
var3          N(3),H(4)
var4          N(7),H(8)
var5 B(1),H(2),N(3),H(4)
var6 B(5),H(6),N(7),H(8)

```

Variation one is equivalent to variation two, and variation 3 should be equivalent_
↳with variation 4

Variation five is equivalent to variation six

Here are the distances (Angstrom) as obtained with a QM and an MM method

distance	qm	mm
B(1)-H(2)	1.182	1.185
B(5)-H(6)	1.182	1.185
N(3)-H(4)	1.007	1.045
N(7)-H(8)	1.007	1.045
B(1)-N(3)	1.431	1.508
B(5)-N(7)	1.431	1.508

Now we try the hybrid engine with several variations for the QM region

Two capping methods are tried as well.

variation	capping	energy	B(1)-H(2)	B(5)-H(6)	
↳N(3)-H(4)	N(7)-H(8)	B(1)-N(3)	B(5)-N(7)		
var1	fixed	-2.901499	1.184	1.185	↳
↳ 1.045	1.045	1.508	1.508		
var1	fractional	-2.787165	1.198	1.182	↳
↳ 1.044	1.044	1.673	1.505		
var2	fixed	-2.901499	1.185	1.184	↳
↳ 1.045	1.045	1.508	1.508		
var2	fractional	-2.787165	1.182	1.198	↳
↳ 1.044	1.044	1.505	1.673		
var3	fixed	-4.791110	1.184	1.184	↳
↳ 0.993	1.044	1.508	1.507		
var3	fractional	-4.733046	1.184	1.184	↳
↳ 0.997	1.045	1.657	1.506		
var4	fixed	-4.791110	1.184	1.184	↳
↳ 1.044	0.993	1.507	1.508		
var4	fractional	-4.733046	1.184	1.184	↳
↳ 1.045	0.997	1.506	1.657		
var5	fixed	-6.741093	1.189	1.187	↳
↳ 1.003	1.045	1.390	1.489		
var5	fractional	-6.648313	1.198	1.183	↳
↳ 1.003	1.045	1.405	1.505		
var6	fixed	-6.741093	1.187	1.189	↳
↳ 1.045	1.003	1.489	1.390		
var6	fractional	-6.648313	1.183	1.198	↳
↳ 1.045	1.003	1.505	1.405		

Here are some observations

* generally the fixed capping seems a bit better

Here are some remarks

* Starting from the initial very bad structure the fixed capping fails_

↳completely for variant 5 and 6

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```

(not if you use as qm engine band and as mm engine dftb)
* A reasonable starting geometry can avoid strange collapses
* The more the two engines disagree about the capped QM region, the stronger the
↳capping forces

```

Download PeriodicCapping.run

```

#!/bin/sh

export NSCM=1

report=report.txt

STRUCTDIR=$AMSHOME/examples/Hybrid/PeriodicCapping/systems

# ensure that not a comma is used for decimals in the printf function
LC_NUMERIC=en_US.UTF-8

export AMS_JOBNAME=reference

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams<<EOF

Task GeometryOptimization

GeometryOptimization OptimizeLattice=yes Method=FIRE MaxIterations=300

System
  GeometryFile $STRUCTDIR/var1.xyz
  GuessBonds true
end

Engine DFTB
EndEngine

EOF

aaalqm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/dftb.rkf -r distance#1#2`
aaa2qm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/dftb.rkf -r distance#5#6`
bbb1qm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/dftb.rkf -r distance#3#4`
bbb2qm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/dftb.rkf -r distance#7#8`
ccclqm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/dftb.rkf -r distance#1#3`
ccc2qm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/dftb.rkf -r distance#5#7`

printf "We optimize the lattice and test several distances\n" > $report

printf "\n\nThe system can be cut in several variations into a a QM and an MM part
↳breaking a B-N bond\n" >>$report

printf "\n%15s %20s\n" "variation" "QM atoms" >>$report
printf "%15s %20s\n" "var1" "B(1),H(2)" >>$report
printf "%15s %20s\n" "var2" "B(5),H(6)" >>$report
printf "%15s %20s\n" "var3" "N(3),H(4)" >>$report
printf "%15s %20s\n" "var4" "N(7),H(8)" >>$report
printf "%15s %20s\n" "var5" "B(1),H(2),N(3),H(4)" >>$report
printf "%15s %20s\n" "var6" "B(5),H(6),N(7),H(8)" >>$report

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printf "\nVariation one is equivalent to variation two, and variation 3 should be_
↳equivalent with variation 4\n" >>$report
printf "\nVariation five is equivalent to variation six\n" >>$report

export AMS_JOBNAME=cheap

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams<<EOF

Task GeometryOptimization

GeometryOptimization OptimizeLattice=yes Method=FIRE MaxIterations=300

System
  GeometryFile $STRUCTDIR/var1.xyz
  GuessBonds true
end

Engine ForceField
EndEngine

EOF

aaalmm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/forcefield.rkf -r distance#1#2`
aaa2mm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/forcefield.rkf -r distance#5#6`
bbb1mm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/forcefield.rkf -r distance#3#4`
bbb2mm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/forcefield.rkf -r distance#7#8`
ccclmm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/forcefield.rkf -r distance#1#3`
ccc2mm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/forcefield.rkf -r distance#5#7`

printf "\nHere are the distances (Angstrom) as obtained with a QM and an MM method\n"
↳>> $report
printf "%10s %10s %10s\n" "distance" "qm" "mm" >> $report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f\n" "B(1)-H(2)" $aaalqm $aaalmm >> $report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f\n" "B(5)-H(6)" $aaa2qm $aaa2mm >> $report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f\n" "N(3)-H(4)" $bbb1qm $bbb1mm >> $report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f\n" "N(7)-H(8)" $bbb2qm $bbb2mm >> $report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f\n" "B(1)-N(3)" $ccclqm $ccclmm >> $report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f\n" "B(5)-N(7)" $ccc2qm $ccc2mm >> $report

printf "\nNow we try the hybrid engine with several variations for the QM region\n" >>
↳ $report
printf "\nTwo capping methods are tried as well.\n" >>$report

printf "\n%15s %15s %15s %15s %15s %15s %15s %15s %15s\n" "variation" "capping"
↳"energy" "B(1)-H(2)" "B(5)-H(6)" "N(3)-H(4)" "N(7)-H(8)" "B(1)-N(3)" "B(5)-N(7)" >
↳> $report

for system in var1 var2 var3 var4 var5 var6
do

# This calc in only needed to start from a reasonable guess

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```
export AMS_JOBNAME=$system.cheap

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams<<EOF

Task GeometryOptimization

GeometryOptimization OptimizeLattice=yes Method=FIRE MaxIterations=300

System
  GeometryFile $STRUCTDIR/$system.xyz
  GuessBonds true
end

Engine ForceField
EndEngine

EOF

for embedding in electrostatic
do

for capping in fixed fractional
do

export AMS_JOBNAME=$system.embedding=$embedding.capping=$capping.go

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams<<EOF

Task GeometryOptimization

GeometryOptimization OptimizeLattice=yes Method=FIRE MaxIterations=100

LoadSystem
  File $system.cheap.results
End

Engine Hybrid

  Capping AllowHighBondOrders=true Option=$capping

  QMMM qmRegion=qm qmEngineID=dftb mmEngineID=ForceField Embedding=$embedding

  Engine Band
  EndEngine

  Engine DFTB
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
  EndEngine
```

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```

EndEngine

EOF

aaa1=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#1#2`
aaa2=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#5#6`
bbb1=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#3#4`
bbb2=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#7#8`
ccc1=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#1#3`
ccc2=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#5#7`
xxx=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -k "AMSResults%Energy"`

printf "%15s %15s %15.6f %15.3f %15.3f %15.3f %15.3f %15.3f %15.3f\n" $system
↪$capping $xxx $aaa1 $aaa2 $bbb1 $bbb2 $ccc1 $ccc2 >> $report

done
done
done

printf "\nHere are some observations\n" >>$report
printf "      * generally the fixed capping seems a bit better\n" >>$report

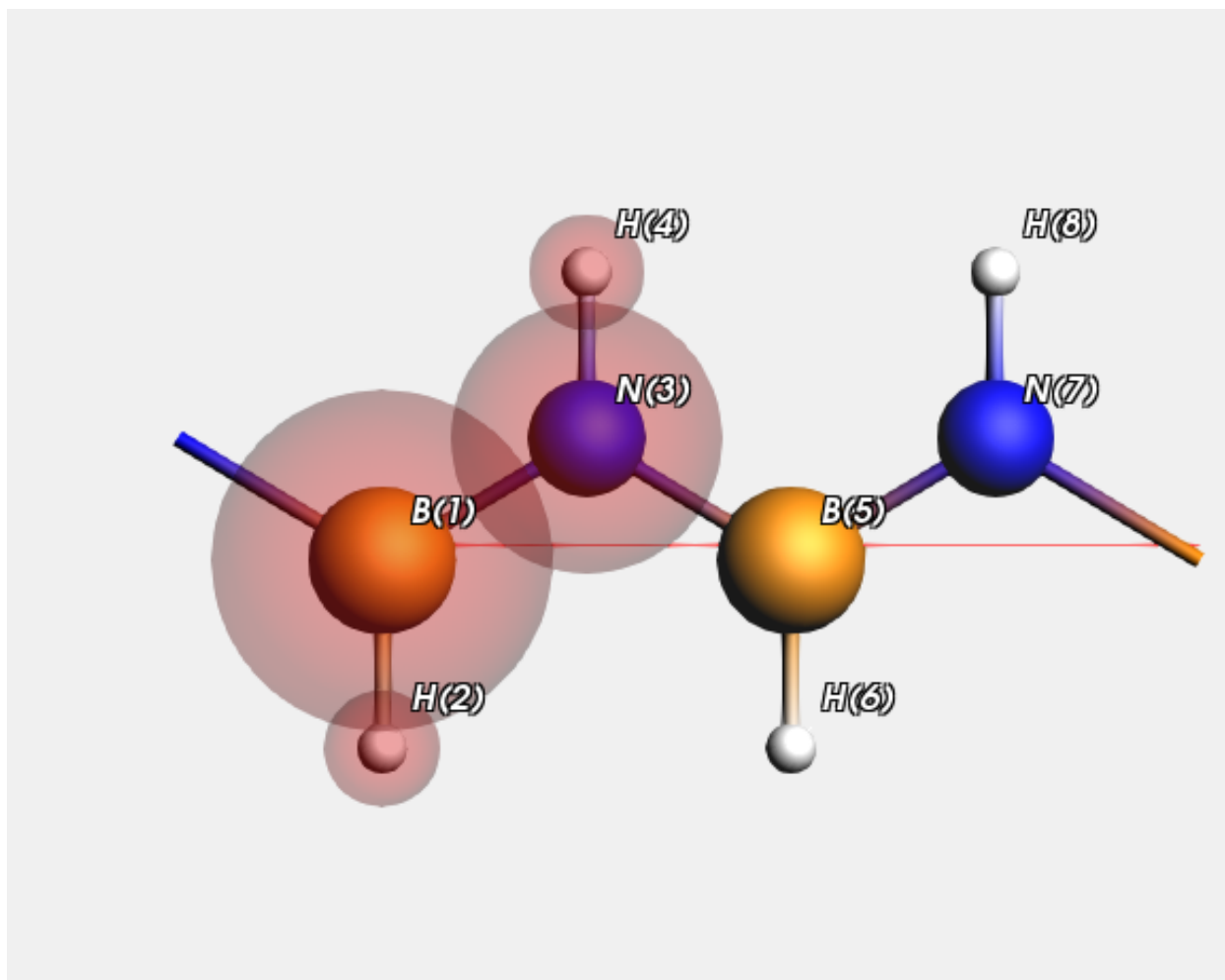
printf "\nHere are some remarks\n" >>$report
printf "      * Starting from the initial very bad structure the fixed capping fails,
↪completely for variant 5 and 6\n" >>$report
printf "      (not if you use as qm engine band and as mm engine dftb)\n" >>$report
printf "      * A reasonable starting geometry can avoid strange collapses\n" >>$report
printf "      * The more the two engines disagree about the capped QM region, the
↪stronger the capping forces\n" >>$report

echo "begin report"
cat $report
echo "end report"

```

4.10 Example: Using capping atoms in a periodic system with charges

Now we look at a BN chain and use charges for the MM calculation.



Let us have a look at the report generated by the example, that pretty much explains what is done

Download report PeriodicCappingWithCharges.txt

We optimize the lattice and test several distances

We divide the system in such a way that there are two equivalent, and hence neutral regions.

Here are the distances (Angstrom) as obtained with a QM and an MM method

distance	qm	mm	err(mm)
B-H	1.182	1.181	-0.001
N-H	1.007	1.041	0.034
B-N	1.431	1.498	0.067

Of course the force field results do not exactly match the QM results, the error displayed in the last column

Now we try the hybrid engine, can we improve the bonds in the QM region?

We start from the geometry calculated with the (cheap) forcefield

In this table we show the errors in bond lengths (in the QM region) of the hybrid method with respect to the QM method

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	embedding	capping	energy	B-H	N-H	
↪	B-N					└
	mechanical	fixed	-6.845015	0.004	-0.007	└
↪	-0.049					
	mechanical	fractional	-6.746367	0.013	-0.006	└
↪	-0.034					
	electrostatic	fixed	-6.748753	0.002	-0.004	└
↪	-0.040					
	electrostatic	fractional	-6.652196	0.010	-0.003	└
↪	-0.024					

Here are some observations

- * the B-H distance is a bit worse than with a plain forcefield, especially with ↪
↪ fractional capping
- * the N-H distance is much better than with the plain forcefield
- * the B-N distance is a bit better than with the plain forcefield, now too short.
- ↪ Fractional capping works best.
- * Electrostatic embedding is doing slightly better than mechanical embedding, ↪
↪ the biggest improvement is on the B-N bond

Download PeriodicCappingWithCharges.run

```
#!/bin/bash
export NSCM=1
report=report.txt
STRUCTDIR=$AMSHOME/examples/Hybrid/PeriodicCapping/systems
# ensure that not a comma is used for decimals in the printf function
LC_NUMERIC=en_US.UTF-8
export AMS_JOBNAME=reference
rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results
$AMSBIN/ams<<EOF

Task GeometryOptimization

GeometryOptimization OptimizeLattice=yes Method=FIRE MaxIterations=300

System
  GeometryFile $STRUCTDIR/var5.xyz
  GuessBonds true
end

Engine DFTB
EndEngine

EOF

aaalqm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/dftb.rkf -r distance#1#2`
bbblqm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/dftb.rkf -r distance#3#4`
ccclqm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/dftb.rkf -r distance#1#3`
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```

printf "We optimize the lattice and test several distances\n" > $report

printf "\nWe divide the system in such a way that there are two equivalent, and hence,
↳neutral regions.\n" >>$report

export AMS_JOBNAME=cheap

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams<<EOF

Task GeometryOptimization

GeometryOptimization OptimizeLattice=yes Method=FIRE MaxIterations=300

System
  GeometryFile $STRUCTDIR/var5.xyz
  LoadForceFieldCharges File=reference.results
  GuessBonds true
end

Engine ForceField
  NonBondedCutoff 50 [Bohr]
EndEngine

EOF

aaalmm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/forcefield.rkf -r distance#1#2`
bbblmm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/forcefield.rkf -r distance#3#4`
ccclmm=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/forcefield.rkf -r distance#1#3`

errmma=`echo "$aaalmm- $aaalqm" | bc`
errmb=`echo "$bbblmm- $bbblqm" | bc`
errmc=`echo "$ccclmm- $ccclqm" | bc`

printf "\nHere are the distances (Angstrom) as obtained with a QM and an MM method\n"
↳>> $report
printf "%10s %10s %10s %10s\n" "distance" "qm" "mm" "err(mm)">> $report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f %10.3f\n" "B-H" $aaalqm $aaalmm $errmma >> $report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f %10.3f\n" "N-H" $bbblqm $bbblmm $errmb >> $report
printf "%10s %10.3f %10.3f %10.3f\n" "B-N" $ccclqm $ccclmm $errmc >> $report

printf "\nOf course the force field results do not exactly match the QM results, the
↳error displayed in the last column\n" >> $report

printf "\nNow we try the hybrid engine, can we improve the bonds in the QM region?\n"
↳>> $report

printf "\nWe start from the geometry calculated with the (cheap) forcefield\n" >>
↳$report

printf "\nIn this table we show the errors in bond lengths (in the QM region) of the
↳hybrid method with respect to the QM method\n" >> $report

printf "\n%15s %15s %15s %15s %15s %15s\n" "embedding" "capping" "energy" "B-H" "N-H
↳" "B-N" >> $report

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```

for system in var5
do
for embedding in mechanical electrostatic
do

for capping in fixed fractional
do

export AMS_JOBNAME=$system.embedding=$embedding.capping=$capping.go

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams<<EOF

Task GeometryOptimization

Properties Gradients=yes

GeometryOptimization OptimizeLattice=yes Method=FIRE MaxIterations=100

LoadSystem
  File cheap.results
End

Engine Hybrid

    Capping AllowHighBondOrders=true Option=$capping

    QMMM qmRegion=qm qmEngineID=dftb mmEngineID=ForceField Embedding=$embedding

    Engine Band
    EndEngine

    Engine DFTB
    EndEngine

    Engine ForceField
        NonBondedCutoff 50 [Bohr]
    EndEngine

EndEngine

EOF

aaa1=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#1#2`
bbb1=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#3#4`
ccc1=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -r distance#1#3`
xxx=`$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/hybrid.rkf -k "AMSResults%Energy"`

# printf "%15s %15s %15s %15.6f %15.3f %15.3f %15.3f\n" $embedding $system $capping
↪$xxx $aaa1 $bbb1 $ccc1 >> $report
erra=`echo "$aaa1- $aaa1qm" | bc`
errb=`echo "$bbb1- $bbb1qm" | bc`
errc=`echo "$ccc1- $ccc1qm" | bc`

printf "%15s %15s %15.6f %15.3f %15.3f %15.3f\n" $embedding $capping $xxx $erra $errb
↪$errc >> $report

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```

done
done
done

printf "\nHere are some observations\n" >>$report
printf "    * the B-H distance is a bit worse than with a plain forcefield,
↳especially with fractional capping\n" >>$report
printf "    * the N-H distance is much better than with the plain forcefield \n" >>
↳$report
printf "    * the B-N distance is a bit better than with the plain forcefield, now
↳too short. Fractional capping works best.\n" >>$report
printf "    * Electrostatic embedding is doing slightly better than mechanical
↳embedding, the biggest improvement is on the B-N bond\n" >>$report

echo "begin report"
cat $report
echo "end report"

```

4.11 Example: QMMM with capping atoms

This is an example of QMMM using capping atoms. Capping atoms are added automatically when bonds are broken (between the QM and MM region). Because the amber forcefield is used the `AtomicInfoForCappingAtom` needs to be set, as the default type "H" is not an AMBER type.

Download `QMMM_Butane.run`

```

#!/bin/sh

"$AMSBIN/ams" <<eor

Task GeometryOptimization

GeometryOptimization
  Convergence Gradients=1E-4
End

System
  Atoms
    C  0.0000  0.0000  0.0000  region=QM  ForceField.Charge=0.0  ForceField.
↳Type=CT
    H  1.0910  0.0000  0.0000  region=QM  ForceField.Charge=0.0  ForceField.
↳Type=HC
    H -0.3598  1.0300  0.0000  region=QM  ForceField.Charge=0.0  ForceField.
↳Type=HC
    C -0.5021 -0.7074 -1.2586  region=QM  ForceField.Charge=0.0  ForceField.
↳Type=CT
    H -0.1397 -1.7383 -1.2662  region=QM  ForceField.Charge=0.0  ForceField.
↳Type=HC
    H -1.5949 -0.7053 -1.2662  region=QM  ForceField.Charge=0.0  ForceField.
↳Type=HC
    H -0.1307 -0.1841 -2.1433  region=QM  ForceField.Charge=0.0  ForceField.
↳Type=HC
    C -0.5195 -0.7318  1.2374  region=MM  ForceField.Charge=0.0  ForceField.
↳Type=CT

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      C -0.0376 -0.0530  2.5227  region=MM  ForceField.Charge=0.0  ForceField.
↔Type=CT
      H  1.0524 -0.0554  2.5580  region=MM  ForceField.Charge=0.0  ForceField.
↔Type=HC
      H -0.3994  0.9752  2.5580  region=MM  ForceField.Charge=0.0  ForceField.
↔Type=HC
      H -0.4230 -0.5961  3.3860  region=MM  ForceField.Charge=0.0  ForceField.
↔Type=HC
      H -0.1631 -1.7630  1.2286  region=MM  ForceField.Charge=0.0  ForceField.
↔Type=HC
      H -1.6105 -0.7355  1.2286  region=MM  ForceField.Charge=0.0  ForceField.
↔Type=HC
      End
      BondOrders
        1 2  1.0
        1 3  1.0
        1 8  1.0
        1 4  1.0
        8 14 1.0
        8 13 1.0
        8 9  1.0
        4 5  1.0
        4 6  1.0
        4 7  1.0
        9 12 1.0
        9 11 1.0
        9 10 1.0
      End
    End
  End
Engine Hybrid
  QMMM
    QMRegion QM
    QMEngineID ADF
    MMEngineID ForceField
  End

  Capping
    AtomicInfoForCappingAtom ForceField.Type=HC ForceField.Charge=0.0
  End

  Engine ADF
    Basis
      Type DZP
    End
    Relativity
      Level None
    End
  EndEngine

  Engine ForceField
    Type Amber95
  EndEngine
EndEngine
eor

```

4.12 Example*: Mechanical embedding (QUILD)

This is a fairly technical test, testing the case insensitivity of region and engine names. Furthermore gradients are tested.

Download `qmmm_water.run`

```
#!/bin/sh

hybridenginename=hybrid      # this is a temporary hack
report=report.txt

echo "Start of the report" > $report

echo "-----" >> $report
echo "Start of the region names test" >> $report
echo "-----" >> $report

export AMS_JOBNAME=regionnamestest

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams <<eor

Task SinglePoint

Properties Gradients=yes

System
  Atoms
    C 0.0  0.0  0.0  region=a
    O 1.13 0.0  0.0  region=A
    O -1.13 0.0  0.0  region=B
  End
  BondOrders
    1 2 2.0
    1 3 2.0
  End
End

Engine Hybrid
  Energy
    Term factor=1.0  region=*      engineID=ForceField
    Term factor=1.0  region=A      engineID=dftB-2
    Term factor=-1.0 region=a      engineID=ForceField
  End

  Capping AllowHighBondOrders=True # Because we cut through double bonds here ...

  Engine ForceField
  EndEngine
  Engine dftb dftb-1
    Model GFN1-xTB
  EndEngine
  Engine dftb dftb-2
    Model SCC-DFTB
```

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```

ResourcesDir QUASINANO2015
EndEngine
Engine mopac
EndEngine

EndEngine
eor

echo "Energy for region names test" >> $report
$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/$hybridenginename.rkf -k "AMSResults%Energy"
->> $report

echo "-----" >> $report
echo "End of the region names test" >> $report
echo "-----" >> $report

echo "-----" >> $report
echo "Start of the gradient test" >> $report
echo "-----" >> $report

# strange capitalization is on purpose

for capping in fractional fixed
do

for num in true false
do

export AMS_JOBNAME=gradtest.capping=$capping.num=$num

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams <<eor

Task SinglePoint

Properties Gradients=yes

EngineDebugging IgnoreGradientsRequest=$num NeverQuiet=false

NumericalDifferentiation NuclearStepSize=1.0e-4

System
  Atoms
    C 0.0 0.0 0.0 region=a
    O 1.13 0.0 0.0 region=a
    O -1.13 0.0 0.0 region=b
  End
  BondOrders
    1 2 2.0
    1 3 2.0
  End
End

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```

Engine Hybrid
  Capping Option=$capping AllowHighBondOrders=True # Because we cut through double_
↳bonds here ...
  Energy
    Term factor=1.0   region=*   engineID=ForceField
    Term factor=1.0   region=a   engineID=dftb-2
    Term factor=-1.0  region=a   engineID=ForceField
  End

  Engine ForceField
  EndEngine
  Engine dftb dftb-1
    Model GFN1-xTB
  EndEngine
  Engine dftb dftb-2
    Model SCC-DFTB
    ResourcesDir QUASINANO2015
  EndEngine
  Engine mopac
  EndEngine

EndEngine

eor

echo "gradients for capping=$capping num=$num:" >> $report
$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/$hybridenginename.rkf -k "AMSResults%Gradients#
↳#3" >> $report

done
done

echo "-----" >> $report
echo "End of the gradient test" >> $report
echo "-----" >> $report

echo "-----" >> $report
echo "Start of the singleton test" >> $report
echo "-----" >> $report

echo "Calculate the same system twice with the same engine but with different_
↳settings. The energy should be non-zero" >> $report

for engine in dftb band adf mopac
do
export AMS_JOBNAME=testsingleton.engine.$engine

rm -rf $AMS_JOBNAME.results

$AMSBIN/ams << eor

Task SinglePoint

System

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```

    GeometryFile $AMSHOME/atomicdata/Molecules/TestMols/Acetamide.xyz
End

Engine Hybrid
  AllowSanityCheckWarnings true
  Energy
    Term factor=1.0   region=*       engineID=$engine-1
    Term factor=-1.0  region=*       engineID=$engine-2
  End

  Engine band band-1
    xc gga=pbe
  EndEngine
  Engine band band-2
    basis type=SZ
  EndEngine
  Engine adf adf-1
    xc gga=pbe
  EndEngine
  Engine adf adf-2
    basis type=SZ
  EndEngine
  Engine mopac mopac-1
    Model PM6
  EndEngine
  Engine mopac mopac-2
    Model PM7
  EndEngine
  Engine DFTB dftb-1
    Model GFN1-xTB
  EndEngine
  Engine DFTB dftb-2
    Model SCC-DFTB
    ResourcesDIR QUASINANO2015
  EndEngine

EndEngine

eor

echo "Hopfully nonzero energy for engine=$engine" >> $report
$AMSBIN/amsreport $AMS_JOBNAME.results/$hybridenginename.rkf -k "AMSResults%Energy"
↪>> $report

done

echo "-----" >> $report
echo "End of the singleton test" >> $report
echo "-----" >> $report

cat $report

```

4.13 Example: pdb2adf transforms a PDB file to a QMMM input file

Download `pdb2adf.run`

```
#!/bin/sh

# This example shows how to use the utility pdb2adf,
# which creates an amsified ADF input file (ADF>=2020) from a PDB file,
# for a subsequent QM/MM calculation using ADF.

# -----
# First create the PDB file
# -----

cat << eor > chymotrypsin.pdb
HEADER      COMPLEX (SERINE PROTEASE/INHIBITOR)      12-MAR-97      1AFQ
TITLE       CRYSTAL STRUCTURE OF BOVINE GAMMA-CHYMOTRYPSIN COMPLEXED
TITLE       2 WITH A SYNTHETIC INHIBITOR
REMARK
REMARK      Adaptation of original PDB file by M. Swart, March 2005
REMARK      only coordinates of GAMMA-CHYMOTRYPSIN are kept;
REMARK      rest has been deleted.
REMARK
ATOM        1  N   CYS A   1      13.717  20.021  22.754  1.00 13.46      PROA N
ATOM        2  CA  CYS A   1      14.211  18.932  23.617  1.00 13.34      PROA C
ATOM        3  C   CYS A   1      13.597  19.033  25.005  1.00 13.34      PROA C
ATOM        4  O   CYS A   1      12.953  20.026  25.329  1.00 13.48      PROA O
ATOM        5  CB  CYS A   1      15.734  19.018  23.753  1.00 13.44      PROA C
ATOM        6  SG  CYS A   1      16.298  20.647  24.361  1.00 13.30      PROA S
ATOM        7  N   GLY A   2      13.801  17.985  25.813  1.00 13.44      PROA N
ATOM        8  CA  GLY A   2      13.369  17.952  27.214  1.00 13.65      PROA C
ATOM        9  C   GLY A   2      11.904  18.088  27.631  1.00 13.87      PROA C
ATOM       10  O   GLY A   2      11.669  18.375  28.799  1.00 13.63      PROA O
ATOM       11  N   VAL A   3      10.947  17.887  26.732  1.00 14.18      PROA N
ATOM       12  CA  VAL A   3      9.559  17.968  27.090  1.00 14.86      PROA C
ATOM       13  C   VAL A   3      8.875  16.684  26.624  1.00 15.04      PROA C
ATOM       14  O   VAL A   3      8.529  16.546  25.452  1.00 14.91      PROA O
ATOM       15  CB  VAL A   3      8.861  19.211  26.437  1.00 15.00      PROA C
ATOM       16  CG1 VAL A   3      7.403  19.299  26.880  1.00 15.08      PROA C
ATOM       17  CG2 VAL A   3      9.585  20.486  26.805  1.00 15.27      PROA C
ATOM       18  N   PRO A   4      8.754  15.691  27.519  1.00 15.39      PROA N
ATOM       19  CA  PRO A   4      8.121  14.407  27.206  1.00 16.09      PROA C
ATOM       20  C   PRO A   4      6.675  14.535  26.769  1.00 16.35      PROA C
ATOM       21  O   PRO A   4      5.957  15.387  27.275  1.00 16.43      PROA O
ATOM       22  CB  PRO A   4      8.219  13.635  28.527  1.00 15.91      PROA C
ATOM       23  CG  PRO A   4      9.369  14.297  29.244  1.00 16.02      PROA C
ATOM       24  CD  PRO A   4      9.166  15.742  28.928  1.00 15.56      PROA C
ATOM       25  N   ALA A   5      6.262  13.690  25.827  1.00 16.87      PROA N
ATOM       26  CA  ALA A   5      4.874  13.703  25.351  1.00 17.53      PROA C
ATOM       27  C   ALA A   5      4.020  13.055  26.437  1.00 17.86      PROA C
ATOM       28  O   ALA A   5      2.862  13.413  26.643  1.00 17.81      PROA O
ATOM       29  CB  ALA A   5      4.740  12.936  24.027  1.00 17.34      PROA C
ATOM       30  N   ILE A   6      4.615  12.104  27.143  1.00 18.37      PROA N
ATOM       31  CA  ILE A   6      3.941  11.419  28.239  1.00 18.99      PROA C
ATOM       32  C   ILE A   6      4.553  11.993  29.514  1.00 19.59      PROA C
ATOM       33  O   ILE A   6      5.726  11.771  29.807  1.00 19.17      PROA O
ATOM       34  CB  ILE A   6      4.190   9.909  28.190  1.00 19.29      PROA C
```

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```

ATOM   35  CG1  ILE  A   6   3.631  9.335 26.886  1.00 19.66   PROA C
ATOM   36  CG2  ILE  A   6   3.552  9.232 29.399  1.00 19.38   PROA C
ATOM   37  CD1  ILE  A   6   3.977  7.887 26.674  1.00 20.59   PROA C
ATOM   38  N    GLN  A   7   3.760 12.742 30.265  1.00 20.52   PROA N
ATOM   39  CA   GLN  A   7   4.262 13.374 31.468  1.00 21.69   PROA C
ATOM   40  C    GLN  A   7   4.683 12.459 32.597  1.00 22.02   PROA C
ATOM   41  O    GLN  A   7   3.954 11.535 32.978  1.00 21.89   PROA O
ATOM   42  CB   GLN  A   7   3.259 14.392 31.997  1.00 22.77   PROA C
ATOM   43  CG   GLN  A   7   3.369 15.749 31.349  1.00 24.86   PROA C
ATOM   44  CD   GLN  A   7   2.467 16.774 32.004  1.00 25.86   PROA C
ATOM   45  OE1  GLN  A   7   1.660 17.417 31.337  1.00 27.24   PROA O
ATOM   46  NE2  GLN  A   7   2.601 16.934 33.325  1.00 26.82   PROA N
ATOM   47  N    PRO  A   8   5.898 12.675 33.125  1.00 22.41   PROA N
ATOM   48  CA   PRO  A   8   6.345 11.830 34.231  1.00 22.84   PROA C
ATOM   49  C    PRO  A   8   5.524 12.215 35.459  1.00 23.50   PROA C
ATOM   50  O    PRO  A   8   5.069 13.359 35.575  1.00 23.62   PROA O
ATOM   51  CB   PRO  A   8   7.821 12.219 34.389  1.00 22.58   PROA C
ATOM   52  CG   PRO  A   8   7.864 13.641 33.894  1.00 22.61   PROA C
ATOM   53  CD   PRO  A   8   6.972 13.583 32.678  1.00 22.34   PROA C
ATOM   54  N    VAL  A   9   5.267 11.244 36.323  1.00 24.00   PROA N
ATOM   55  CA   VAL  A   9   4.516 11.478 37.543  1.00 24.57   PROA C
ATOM   56  C    VAL  A   9   5.471 11.122 38.665  1.00 24.99   PROA C
ATOM   57  O    VAL  A   9   5.927  9.982 38.759  1.00 24.82   PROA O
ATOM   58  CB   VAL  A   9   3.273 10.580 37.613  1.00 24.64   PROA C
ATOM   59  CG1  VAL  A   9   2.596 10.725 38.969  1.00 24.88   PROA C
ATOM   60  CG2  VAL  A   9   2.308 10.935 36.488  1.00 24.78   PROA C
ATOM   61  N    LEU  A  10   5.827 12.119 39.464  1.00 25.78   PROA N
ATOM   62  CA   LEU  A  10   6.752 11.921 40.568  1.00 26.56   PROA C
ATOM   63  C    LEU  A  10   6.043 11.958 41.914  1.00 26.89   PROA C
ATOM   64  O    LEU  A  10   5.187 12.847 42.105  1.00 27.07   PROA O
ATOM   65  CB   LEU  A  10   7.857 12.973 40.501  1.00 26.93   PROA C
ATOM   66  CG   LEU  A  10   8.721 12.752 39.255  1.00 27.39   PROA C
ATOM   67  CD1  LEU  A  10   9.351 14.055 38.769  1.00 27.66   PROA C
ATOM   68  CD2  LEU  A  10   9.768 11.681 39.555  1.00 27.46   PROA C
ATOM   69  OXT  LEU  A  10   6.329 11.066 42.743  1.00 27.55   PROA O
TER    70          LEU  A  10
END
eor
# -----
# --
# then run program to create ADF inputfile
# The program works interactively. The input described here are answers to the
# questions
# that were asked interactively.
# In cases where the user agrees with the suggestion given by the program,
# the user can press the **Enter** key, which is shown here with an empty line.
# -----
# --

$AMSBIN/pdb2adf << eor
chymotrypsin.pdb

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3 4 5

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c
5
3 4 15 16
c

Y
1
1
17.5
eor

# -----
# --
# Questions asked were:
# Q1: Please give name of PDB-file
# A1: chymotrypsin.pdb
# Q2: Do you want a logfile to be written (Y/n) ?
# A2: Enter
# Q3: ..
# Found the following terminal amino acid residues : (C-term)      10 (N-term)
# --1
# Do you want to use these as terminal residues (Y/n) ?
# A3: Enter
# Q4: Multiple AMBER options for CYS :
#      0          Decide every time differently
#      1  CYS     Cysteine (SH)
#      2  CYM     Deprotonated Cysteine (S-)
#      3  CYX     Cystine (S-S bridge)
#      Suggested option: 0
# A4: Enter
# Q5: Multiple AMBER options for CYS      1 (      1) :
#      ...
#      Suggestion: 1
# A5: Enter
# Q6: ...
#      Option Molecule      Option Molecule      Option Molecule      Option Molecule
# -- Option Molecule
#      1: CYS      1          4: PRO      4          7: GLN      7          10: LEU      10
#      2: GLY      2          5: ALA      5          8: PRO      8
#      3: VAL      3          6: ILE      6          9: VAL      9
#      Give option number of molecules to be put in QM region (or 'c' to continue):
#      Note: by specifying a negative number a molecule is removed from the QM region
# A6: 3 4 5
# Q7: ...
#      Give option number of molecules to be put in QM region (or 'c' to continue):
#      Note: by specifying a negative number a molecule is removed from the QM region
# A7: c
# Q8: Make a choice for the QM/MM treatment of VAL      3
#      0: Put completely in QM region
#      1: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH in QM region, CO in MM region)
#      2: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH in MM region, CO in QM region)
#      3: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH and CO in MM region)
#      4: Cut off at C-alpha (put NH and CO in QM region, sidechain in MM region)
#      5: Put only part of sidechain in QM region
#      Suggestion: 2
#      Give choice:

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# A8: 5
# Q9: Atoms belonging to molecule VAL      3
#      1: N      MM                6: HB      MM                11: CG2      MM
↪      16: O      MM
#      2: H      MM                7: CG1      MM                12: HG21     MM
#      3: CA     MM                8: HG11     MM                13: HG22     MM
#      4: HA     MM                9: HG12     MM                14: HG23     MM
#      5: CB     MM               10: HG13     MM                15: C        MM
#      Give option number of atoms to be put in QM region (or 'c' to continue):
#      (Note: a range can be entered as 3-21, while a negative number removes an atom)
# A9: 3 4 15 16
# Q10: ...
#      Give option number of atoms to be put in QM region (or 'c' to continue):
#      (Note: a range can be entered as 3-21, while a negative number removes an atom)
# A10: c
# Q11: Make a choice for the QM/MM treatment of PRO      4
#      ...
#      Suggestion: 2
# A11: Enter
# Q12: Make a choice for the QM/MM treatment of ALA      5
#      ...
#      Suggestion: 1
# A12: Enter
# Q13: Do you want to add solvent to your system (Y/n) ?
# A13: Y
# Q14: Solvent (box) available:
#      1: HOH      HOH  Water molecule
#      2: MOH      MOH  Methanol molecule
#      3: CHL      CHL  Chloroform molecule
# A14: 1
# Q15: Box Shape options:
#      1 Spherical box
#      2 Cubic box
# A15: 1
# Q16: Give boxsize (def.:      16.71 Angs)
# A16: 17.5
# -----
↪ --
# -----
# now for checking correctness
# -----

echo ""
echo "ADF inputfile made by pdb2adf"
echo ""

cat chymotrypsin.pdb2adf

rm chymotrypsin.pdb chymotrypsin.pdb.log chymotrypsin.p2a.pdb chymotrypsin.pdb2adf

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KEYWORDS

5.1 Links to manual entries

hybrid:

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- *Engine* (page 11)
- *QMMM* (page 13)
- *RestartSubEngines* (page 15)

5.2 Summary of all keywords

AllowSanityCheckWarnings

Type Bool

Default value No

Description Sanity checks will be performed on the setup. If this option is on, only warnings are printed. If not the program will stop on warnings.

Capping

Type Block

Description This block is about capping details. Capping occurs with hydrogen atoms when a bond is broken between an atom inside the region and one outside.

AllowHighBondOrders

Type Bool

Default value No

Description Allows capping of interregional aromatic, double and triple bonds. This is normally not a good idea, since the capping is done with hydrogen atoms.

AtomicInfoForCappingAtom

Type String

Default value ForceField.Type=H_ ForceField.Charge=0.0

Description The AtomicInfo for the capping atoms. Typically a string like ForceField.Type=X much like forcefield info is entered in the System block for normal atoms.

CappingElement

Type String

Default value H

Description The element to be used for capping. The hydrogen atom has the advantage that it is very small.

CheckCapping

Type Bool

Default value Yes

Description The same outside atom can be involved in multiple capping coordinate definitions. This is not a good idea, and this will not be accepted by using this check.

Distance

Type Float

Default value -1.0

Description A negative value means automatic. In that case the sum of covalent radii is used

Option

Type Multiple Choice

Default value Fixed

Options [Fractional, Fixed]

GUI name Capping option

Description The capping atom is always along the broken bond vector. The bond distance between the capping atom and the two atoms are obtained from covalent radii, let us call them D1H and D2H. With option=Fractional the capping is on the bond vector with the fraction $D1H/(D1H+D2H)$. With the Fixed option it is at the distance D1H from atom 1. A distance of zero always means the coordinate of the inside atom.

Energy

Type Block

Description This block is there to construct the energy.

Term

Type Block

Recurring True

Description This block is there to construct the energy term. Can have multiple occurrences

Charge

Type Float

Default value 0.0

Description Net charge to be used for this energy term.

EngineID

Type String

Description Identifier for the engine

Factor**Type** Float**Default value** 1.0**Description****Region****Type** String**Description** Identifier for the region**UseCappingAtoms****Type** Bool**Default value** Yes**Description** Whether to use capping for broken bonds**Engine****Type** Block**Recurring** True**Description** The input for the computational (sub) engine. The header of the block determines the type of the engine. An optional second word in the header serves as the EngineID, if not present it defaults to the engine name. Currently it is not allowed to have a Hybrid engine as a sub engine.**QMMM****Type** Block**Description** This block is there to identify the QMMM engines.**Embedding****Type** Multiple Choice**Default value** Electrostatic**Options** [Mechanical, Electrostatic]**Description** Determines how the QM region is embedded into the MM region. Mechanical embedding embedding can also be achieved using the Energy%Terms keywords, but the common case of a two region mechanical QM/MM embedding is easier to set up using this keyword.**MMCharge****Type** Float**Default value** 0.0**Description** Net charge to be used for the MM region.**MMEngineID****Type** String**Description** Identifier for the MM engine**QMCharge****Type** Float

Default value 0.0

Description Net charge to be used for the QM region.

QMEngineID

Type String

Description Identifier for the QM engine

QMRegion

Type String

Description Identifier for the QM region. The rest of the system is considered the MM region.

UseCappingAtoms

Type Bool

Default value Yes

Description Whether to use capping for broken bonds.

RestartSubEngines

Type Bool

Default value Yes

Description Save all the results of the subengines and pass those in a next geometry step or MD step.

TweakRequestForSubEngines

Type Bool

Default value Yes

Description Only request what is really needed, gradients and charges.

REFERENCES

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